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Americans and Soviets in space for joint orbit

ACE CENTRE, Houston (AP). American and Soviet astronauts e orbiting the earth last night paring for a rendezvous that link mankind's two spacefaring ions.

istory's first international man-space mission began with flaw-launches from spaceports half world apart. Soviet cosmonauts ei Leonov and Valeri Kubasov ard a Soyuz spacecraft were put orbit from the Baikonur cos-drome in a stark desert in Cen-Russia. The liftoff came within seconds of the scheduled launch of 1220 GMT.

even and one-half hours later, lio astronauts Thomas Stafford, ce Brand and Donald Slayton eted away from earth from the Canaveral, Florida, launch plex.

e Americans will guide their ecraft through a series of rocket firings in a classic celestial chase towards rendezvous with the Soviet craft tomorrow.

Only two small problems blemished an otherwise perfect beginning of the Soyuz flight. As the spacecraft soared upwards the Soviet control centre reported a "slight overload," referring to a greater than expected acceleration force. The cosmonauts replied that "overloads are insignificant."

Later, the cosmonauts said one of four TV cameras aboard the spaceship was not functioning. The spacemen began trouble-shooting for the problem, which blocked a planned telecast showing the cosmonauts as they soared into orbit.

But, for the first time, a live telecast displayed the Soviet countdown and launch. In the past, films of Soviet launches were released only after success was assured. Western reporters, however, were still barred from the remote desert launch site.

"Everything is normal; everything is perfect," Leonov, the Soviet commander, reported moments after take-off. "We are in good health."

Astronauts Stafford, Brand and Slayton were asleep during the Soviet launch, but were shown a video replay during their traditional pre-launch breakfast of steak and eggs. In a message relayed to the cosmonauts, the American trio said: "Congratulations on a great launch."

Soviet Communist Party Leader Leonid Brezhnev wished the cosmonauts "a happy flight and a successful completion of your task and a safe return to your homeland." He also wished a safe voyage to the American astronauts.

President Ford watched the launch on TV in Washington and said the flight would "lead to further cooperation between our two countries. On behalf of the American people, I commend you for your courage and vision, and wish you God-speed and good luck," he told the crewmen of both countries.

At Cape Canaveral, more than 250 VIPs joined a record crowd of 70,000 invited Nasa guests to watch the launch.

The U.S. and the Soviet Union have developed a common docking system which will be tested in space tomorrow when the Apollo spacecraft is guided to a link up with the waiting Soyuz. If the test is successful, all future American and Russian spacecraft will carry the tulip-shaped device, enabling spaceships of either country to join together in orbit. This would demonstrate techniques for possible future rescue missions.

The Apollo and Soyuz spacecraft are scheduled to link up over Germany at 1715 on Thursday afternoon (5.15 Israel summer time).

During 46 hours of joint operations, the spacemen will visit each others' spacecraft, conduct joint experiments, share meals and exchange gifts.

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Kissinger defends detente

NEAPOLIS, Minnesota (AP).— ing the Apollo-Soyuz space flight mbol of progress in U.S.-Soviet ions, Secretary of State Henry inger yesterday defended de-as a "means to regulate a com-ive relationship" and challenged ritics to come up with an alter-e that is better.

an apparent reference to recent ings by exiled Soviet author ander Solzhenitsyn, Kissinger note of "courageous voices" re-ing the U.S. "of the nature of Soviet system and of our duty efend freedom."

out this, Kissinger said, "there disagreement" but, in a speech ared for the Upper Midwest ncil of Minneapolis, Kissinger critics of detente must answer questions:

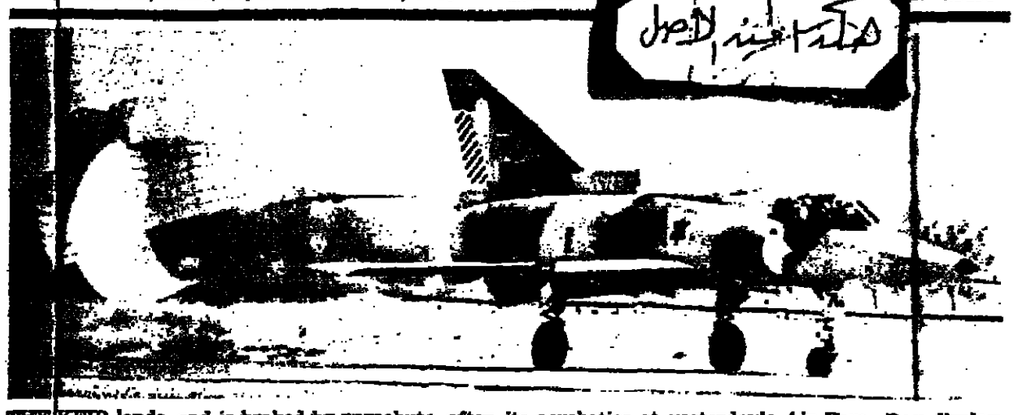
hat precise policies do they us to change? Are they pre-for a prolonged situation of atically increased international er? Do they wish to return to constant crises and high arms ets of the cold war?

oes detente encourage repres-or is it detente that has ge-ed the ferment and the demands penness that we are now wit-ng? Can we ask our people to rt confrontation unless they that every reasonable alter-e has been explored?"

exiled Russian author Alexan-olzhenitsyn warned members of ress yesterday that projected diplomatic accords with Com-st countries "will bury and down still-breathing bodies in mmon grave."

an address on Capitol Hill, he he was bringing to America a ing which has grown out of enormous suffering" of the Rus-past.

Kfir shows what it can do at Air Force Day display



THE KFIR lands, and is braked by parachute, after its aerobatics at yesterday's Air Force Day display. (21 Plus)

By RONNIE HOPE
Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

A LONE KFIR jet fighter performing aerobatics was the highlight of yesterday's air display, marking the 27th anniversary of the Air Force. Held at the Air Force's flying school, the display, a modest one because of economies, was preceded by the passing out parade of a new batch of pilots.

Defence Minister Shimon Peres said at the ceremony that Israel was "strong enough not to fear negotiations and to negotiate without fear." He said the Air Force had kept Israel's skies clean, had shattered enemy forces in the air and on the ground and had granted the Defence Forces strategic flexibility, which was quick, sophisticated and decisive.

In its 32,000 sorties since its establishment, the Air Force had destroyed 1,164 enemy aircraft, Peres said, including 21 in the War of Independence, seven in the Sinai Campaign, 451 in the Six Day War, 116 in the War of Attrition, 400 in the Yom Kippur War, and 81 between the wars.

Mr. Peres and the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur, pinned the wings on the outstanding graduates, and O/C Air Force Benyamin Peled on the others. The number and names of the graduates are withheld from publication for security reasons. The new pilots included a set of twin brothers.

The cadets of the flying school put on a display of complicated marching drill exercises. To the orders of the school Sergeant Major, their neat ranks changed shape magically into a variety of formations, ranging from a multi-petalled flower to a seven-pointed candelabrum and the outline of an aircraft.

In the audience were the families of the graduates, Air Force officers and their families and foreign military attaches. Music was provided by the IDF Band.

The stress in the air display was on quality rather than quantity, with top pilots putting single planes through their paces instead of the usual impressive, but fuel-consuming, formations.

The only exception was the flying school's aerobatic team, who piloted eight Fouga-Magister jet trainers through a breathtaking performance of precision flying. Taking off simultaneously in two box formations with wingtips almost touching they switched to single file and weaved in and out to form a plaited rope of their white smoke trails. Then suddenly they were in a ruler-straight line, coming straight at the audience, before breaking off into graceful upward curves to form a rose in the sky.

The high-pitched whine of the Fougas gave way to the powerful roar of the Skyhawk, the Phantom and then the Kfir zooming low off the runway, in turn and over the stands, afterburners glowing, and then reeling off a spectacular series of loops, figures of eight, rolls, vertical climbs from almost ground level until they were out of sight, and then coming down the same way, pulling out of terrifying dives only when it looked as if they must crash into the runway.

A light interlude was provided by a surprisingly agile Bell 206 helicopter, prancing through a few ballet-like manoeuvres before settling down for a moment and then shooting up in a perfectly straight vertical take-off.

The Kfir, piloted in public for the first time by an Air Force pilot, made a few impressive passes over the audience before landing, with the help of a brake parachute, and taxing past the stands to take its place in an exhibition of aircraft and anti-aircraft weapons set out nearby.

On display was one of the Air Force's most decorated fighters — a Mirage III credited with shooting down 13 enemy planes — each one marked with a symbol of the Egyptian or Syrian air force.

This plane shot down the Kelt missile aimed at Tel Aviv on the first day of the Yom Kippur War but two days later crashed while taking off. It underwent a complete refurbishment at the Israel Aircraft Industries and was now presented as a virtually brand new aircraft, although it began its career in 1962, when it shot down a Syrian Mig.

Egypt won't extend Unef mandate, but 'let' it remain

By ANAN SAFADI
POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

EGYPT LAST NIGHT said that it would not renew the mandate of the United Nations Emergency Force (Unef) manning the troop separation with Israel east of the Suez Canal, beyond the July 24 expiry date, claiming that Israel was "misusing" the functions of the peace-keeping force to establish its presence in Sinai.

In a letter to the UN Secretary-General, Kurt Waldheim, Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmi nevertheless indicated that Egypt would allow the UN peace-keeping force to remain. Fahmi said that the Egyptian Government was leaving it to the Security Council to tackle the fate of the force next week.

Fahmi's dramatic announcement followed a meeting between President Anwar Sadat and his political and military aides earlier in the day. Soon after that meeting the U.S. ambassador to Cairo, Herman Eilts, took off for Washington in what appeared to be a rush mission triggered by the Egyptian decision. Eilts' arrival in Washington was expected to coincide with that of Israel's Ambassador, Simcha Dinitz, who would be carrying further views from Jerusalem on an interim settlement in Sinai as well as clarifications on proposals made recently by both Egypt and the U.S.

The Foreign Minister's announcement at a press conference, broadcast in full over Cairo Radio, indicated Egypt's determination to press for a speedy conclusion of an interim agreement with Israel in Sinai.

Last night's Egyptian announcement significantly did not call for a resumption of the Geneva Middle East Conference, which Cairo has vewed as an alternative to current interim settlement negotiations. In so doing, Cairo is seen as leaving the door open for a new interim settlement in Sinai.

The Egyptian announcement last night was followed by a Cairo Radio commentary which warned that Egypt would no longer tolerate "procrastination," adding that the tactics of stalling went out of the window with the 1973 October War. The commentary said that Egypt was aware that Israel was playing for time until the U.S. election next year, "which is usually known as the traditional year of American non-commitment." It added that the Arabs, too, could play for time and consolidate their military might. The commentary said that the Americans are now called upon to move forcefully to make Israel understand that she was no longer the only party which could determine events in the region.

Meanwhile, it was announced in Cairo last night that the Egyptian Navy will hold large-scale manoeuvres with live ammunition next Saturday in honour of visiting Saudi Arabian King Khaled.

The Post Diplomatic Correspondent adds: **A Government official said in Jerusalem last night that Israel had yesterday submitted a letter to UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, proposing a six-month extension for Unef.**

Move seen as a tactic

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Observers in Jerusalem tended to see Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmi's statement as a tactical move connected with the ongoing negotiations, rather than as the beginning of the end for Unef.

From the legal viewpoint, Egypt has no power either to renew the mandate or refuse to renew it — since this is the exclusive prerogative of the Security Council. However, were Egypt to refuse to co-operate with Unef, the Council would plainly be unlikely to coerce it into doing so. Fahmi, according to observers here, was apparently not contemplating such drastic action at this stage, and it seemed that Egypt would countenance a continued Unef presence while appearing to chase at it.

These observers pointed out that Fahmi has been careful to differentiate between the mandate, the renewal of which Egypt would oppose, and the actual existence of the UN force, which he did not challenge.

In theory and in practice, the force can continue to exist and to function even if its mandate is allowed to expire — and Fahmi may well have been hinting at just such a shadowy existence for Unef between the July 24 expiry date and the time a new interim agreement is finally reached.

Unef's role in policing the 1974 disengagement, in particular the inspection of the limited forces zone, on either side of the buffer, is discharged by Untso — the UN Truce Supervisory Force, founded by the Security Council in 1949 and in continuous existence ever since. Untso officers make their reports to General Ensio Siilasvuo, the Unef Commander who is chief of all UN forces in the Middle East. This arrangement could continue, observers here pointed out, even if the Unef mandate were not renewed on July 24.

K thinks force will stay on

By WOLF I. BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger yesterday expresed doubt that Egypt would actually remove the Unef forces from Sinai, even if it refuses to renew their mandate.

At a press conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Kissinger said the U.S. "will have to study precisely" Egypt's announcement not to renew the mandate. He said that the decision "underlines the urgency" of the problems in the Middle East and the need to achieve additional interim agreements.

Kissinger ruled out any introduction of U.S. forces in Sinai to act as a buffer or in any other military capacity, but he did acknowledge that the U.S. was considering putting its aerial reconnaissance flights over Sinai "on a more permanent basis." The U.S., he continued would supply information to both Egypt and Israel. (see below)

Small devaluation seen this month; pause in C-o-L rise

By GIDEON ESHET
Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

ANOTHER TWO PER CENT devaluation of the Israel pound is expected within the next two weeks, in line with the Government's policy of "creeping devaluation."

According to the Government's decision of June 16, a ministerial team may devalue the pound every 30 days by a maximum of two per cent. The 30 days since the last devaluation expire tomorrow.

In the last month, the U.S. dollar, to which the Israel pound is linked, has appreciated by 1.5 per cent vis-a-vis the European currencies. Therefore, some observers say that another devaluation of the pound is inevitable.

The exact timing, however, is unclear. Government officials have said that the committee will not necessarily stick to the 30-day limit. But it cannot postpone the date much further, since this would make the system ineffective. Therefore, the two-week prediction.

Consumers got a brief respite from constantly rising prices in June, the Central Bureau of Statistics announced yesterday. But it warned immediately that prices would increase this month.

The consumers' price index actually decreased in June, by 0.4 per cent, to stand at 307.1 points. The index last decreased in June of 1972, and June is in fact a traditional month of only moderate price increases. Even last year, when prices increased by 56 per cent, in June they rose by only 0.3 per cent. Therefore, statistics experts do not regard the decline in June as the beginning of a downward trend.

The decline in prices was caused by a 13.6 per cent drop in the prices of fruits and vegetables. David Neuman, spokesman of the Central Bureau of Statistics, said that most of this decline is seasonal, and they are not expected to drop further. Also, next month the price of electricity is expected to increase by 14 per cent.

The retail price index increased in June by 0.2 per cent. Since January, this index increased by 6.6 per cent, while the consumers' index went up 8.9 per cent. Since retail prices increased in the last six months less then the consumers' index, this is expected to have a moderating influence on the latter.

The Statistics Bureau computed the price increase according to the Sussman recommendations. Accordingly, prices increased by 12.6 per cent from the December average to the June average. This figure has been used by the Histadrut to strengthen its claim for a 13 per cent Cost-of-Living allowance in the coming salaries.

Americans may watch the watchmen at the Passes

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

AN ISRAEL TEAM manning the Umm Hashiba surveillance station, an Egyptian team manning a similar facility also in the buffer zone, and an American team supervising both — this, it is understood, is the outline of the latest proposal under discussion in the three-cornered interim settlement negotiations. The proposal, it is understood, has not been turned down by Washington, and the Israeli negotiators are therefore encouraged to hope that Egypt, too, will ultimately agree to it.

The proposal is believed to have wide support in the Cabinet and among military circles since it would leave the vital Umm Hashiba installation in Israel hands.

An earlier proposal had called for American technicians to man the surveillance facilities themselves, with the IDF relinquishing Umm Hashiba. This idea provoked sharp opposition among some policy makers and also within the General Staff.

Officials in Jerusalem — as well

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Beirut bans movement near border by night

BEIRUT (AP). — The Lebanese Army banned unauthorized movement of persons at night along the border with Israel, the army command announced.

A communique said any suspicious movement along the 100 kilometre border or near perimeters of the military zones in the area will draw fire from Lebanese army positions without warning.

The communique warned the residents in South Lebanon not to wander near the border at night without advance permission. It said the measure was intended "to prevent Israel infiltration and to protect South Lebanese defences. Advance warnings have often helped Israel infiltrators to hide, escape or outflank and ambush Lebanese troops, as happened on the night of May 25," the communique added.

On that night, an Israel raiding party surprised a Lebanese border post, killing seven soldiers in their bunker.

Premier Rashid Karami's six-man Cabinet, which restored calm to Lebanon after three months of sporadic clashes between right and left-wing militias, won Parliament's confidence late yesterday.

All 80 Deputies who attended the session voted for the Government. Eighteen others were absent.

Ikrit case for Cabinet

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

RELIGIOUS Affairs minister Yitzhak Raphael will recommend at an early Cabinet meeting that the Arab Maronites who were ordered to leave the border villages of Ikrit and Biram in 1948 be allowed to return.

The Minister announced his intention at a meeting in his Jerusalem office yesterday with 10 representatives of the villagers, who now live in Gush Halav and Kfar Rama.

The Maronites were asked to leave their villages on the Lebanese border during the War of Independence for security reasons. Their land has since been used by nearby Jewish settlements.

Raphael said that four years ago the NRP faction decided to support the rights of the villagers to return. The Minister is optimistic that the Cabinet will approve his proposal.

In the Knesset yesterday, Yosef Tamir, claiming to reflect the general Likud view, backed the demands of the former residents of Biram and Ikrit to return to their villages.

Rockets land near K. Shmona

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

A NUMBER OF Katyusha rockets fired from Lebanon fell near Kiryat Shmona at 8.30 last night. There were no casualties or damage, the Army Spokesman reported.

Bomb damages car of Ramallah bank head

RAMALLAH. — A small explosive charge went off yesterday under a car belonging to the manager of the local Bank Leumi branch. No one was hurt, and damage to the car was slight.

Security forces immediately closed off the area and arrested a number of suspects.

Boy drowns in lake, brother is rescued

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS. — A 16-year-old boy from Rishon Le Zion drowned in Lake Kinneret yesterday and his older brother was still unconscious last night at Poriya Hospital here.

The two boys reportedly went into the water in the morning from a beach where bathing is expressly forbidden. The 16-year-old, Eliahu Levy, could not swim. His body was fished out of the water later in the day.

His 20-year-old brother, Yitzhak, was seen going under and was rescued by passers-by. He was unconscious when they pulled him out.

Hands off the fruit

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Ministry of Agriculture is seeking means to persuade shoppers to stop squeezing tomatoes and other soft luscious fruit and vegetables before they buy.

The Ministry's Director-General, Reuven Eiland, told a press conference in Tel Aviv yesterday that, regardless of quality when it reaches the market, produce is in sorry shape after being manipulated by dozens of sweaty hands.

This problem ranks second only to the need to persuade greengrocers to join in the Ministry's campaign to keep down prices. At present, only about 15 per cent of fruit and vegetable sales are affected by these voluntary price controls, according to Deputy Director-General Eitan Yisraeli.

Israeli, Lebanese 'aide' held as spies in Sweden

STOCKHOLM (AP). — An Israeli and a Lebanese were placed under formal arrest yesterday accused of "illegal intelligence activities against a foreign power," court officials said.

The 26-year-old Israeli appeared behind closed doors at a local court here while his 24-year-old alleged accomplice was put in custody in Goteborg.

Authorities refused to identify the men, who were tracked down in connection with the investigation of drug dealers last month. Informed sources said, however, that both men were suspected of spying on the anti-Israel resistance movement based in Lebanon and its connections among Arab students living in Sweden.

If formally charged and found guilty, the men could get a maximum of two years in prison.

[illegible]acht here via Suez Canal after nine-year voyage

By YAACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

[illegible]A. — The first Israel-bound to pass through the Suez since it reopened last month ed here yesterday morning. She 43-ton American flag yacht, Nirwana.

bearded, smiling American in and owner, George Balka-52, told *The Jerusalem Post:* town of Suez is still in ruins it's difficult to get provisions But we had no trouble get-through the Canal.

didn't bother to tell the Egyptians we were heading for Israel. We just got behind a convoy of big ships and here we are."

Balkanyi said it had taken him nine years to make the passage. He had been waiting since 1967 in the Far East and East Africa for the Canal to reopen. "We were in no hurry," the Hungarian-born captain said. His French wife Eliane reported her only regret was that "nine years ago, I was young and slim. Now look how I fill up my bathing suit."

Balkanyi said they had decided to "make a leisurely trip" from Hawaii to settle in Italy in June 1966. But, when they reached the Fiji islands a year later at the outbreak of the Six Day War, the Canal was closed.

Balkanyi continued: "My political prediction was that it would be reopened soon, so we waited. I was wrong." Making his way from port to port, he worked as a tug master for a living. On the way the couple adopted a little dog in the Seychelles and two young Frenchmen who joined them at Djibouti.

Meanwhile the Nirwana had become the worse for wear and needed engine repairs. Balkanyi had intended to go to Beirut, but Israelis whom he met at Abu Rodeis on the way to the Canal assured him that repair facilities in Haifa were ideal for his type of engine. The Balkanyis hope to sail for Italy next month.

Portuguese troops land in Angola

NDA (UPI). — Two Portu-e Air Force Boeing 707 sport planes carrying Portu-e troops have arrived in Lu-in an effort to control the ing between rival liberation ements, a military spokesman yesterday.

e spokesman said the sold-arrived late Monday to re-ce the local garrison which been unable to stop six days street battles between the lar Movement and the Na-l Front of Angola.

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deep sorrow we announce the sudden death of our dear husband, ther and brother

MENAHEM LOEWENTHAL ז"ל

e funeral will leave this afternoon, Wednesday, the 8th of Av, 5735 6.7.75), at 3 o'clock, from the municipal funeral parlour, 5 Rehov ina, Tel Aviv, for the Holon cemetery.

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Gideon and Yehuda Loewenthal
Yosef Loewenthal and Family
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Safad	53	18—28	17—28
Haifa Port	65	25—29	24—28
Tiberias	40	26—35	25—35
Nazareth	54	19—29	13—28
Afula	52	22—31	20—29
Shomron	59	19—37	18—36
Tel Aviv	70	22—28	21—28
B.G. Airport	62	21—30	20—30
Jericho	33	22—37	21—36
Gaza	74	22—29	21—28
Beersheba	38	18—33	17—31
Eilat	13	24—39	23—38
Tiran Straits	30	28—36	27—35

Social and Personal

The New U.S. Ambassador, Malcolm Toon, called yesterday on Knesset Speaker Israel Yeshayahu.

The Germans Ambassador, Per Fischer, was the luncheon guest yesterday of Mr. Yeshayahu and the Knesset members who made up a recent delegation to West Germany. Helmut Jochum, first secretary at the German Embassy, and Foreign Ministry officials were also present.

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The Ambassador of Panama and Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps, Elio V. Ortiz, called yesterday on Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem.

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The Ambassador of Peru and Mrs. Bernardo Roca Rey gave a reception at their residence in Savyon yesterday to mark Peru's national day and to bid farewell to the head of the Peruvian UNDOF contingent, Lt. Colonel Jaime Montesinos Antuero. Minister without Portfolio Gideon Hausner and Jewish Agency Treasury Arye Dulzin, were among those present.

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Labour Minister Moshe Baram and the Director-General of the ministry, Arye Gur-El, gave a farewell reception yesterday for Leonard Sandman, outgoing labour attache at the U.S. Embassy.

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David Shoham will replace Haim Herzog as president of the Variety Club in Israel. Mr. Herzog, who has been named Israel Ambassador to the UN, was guest of honour yesterday at a farewell reception given by the Variety Club at the Tel Aviv Hilton.

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Police Sergeant Michael Alkaritz has received the 1975 Levontin Prize from Magen David Adom, as well as a distinguished service citation from the police, for risking his life to evacuate persons stranded in the flash flood at Neviot last February. The Levontin Prize carries a IL1,000 cash award.

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The weekly meeting of the Jerusalem Rotary Club will take place at 1 p.m. today at the YMCA.

Ambassador leaves

B-G AIRPORT. — The Australian Ambassador, Mr. Rawdon Dalrymple, yesterday completed his three-year tour of duty in Israel, and flew home to Canberra, where he will assume a senior Foreign Ministry post.

The incoming ambassador, Mr. Richard Smith, will arrive in Israel on August 13.

Treasury and Histadrut agree on pay cheque

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — While the Histadrut and the employers yesterday toughened their positions over the new Cost-of-Living allowance, the Histadrut and the Finance Ministry concluded an agreement to ensure that employees received at least the same take-home pay they had before the income tax reform comes into effect.

Avraham Shavit, chairman of the Coordinating Committee of Economic Organizations (the private employers) immediately complained the agreement had been made without consulting him. "How can two parties commit a third?" he asked. He was willing to compensate medium and low-wage earners but asked: "Must we protect salaries of tens of thousands of pounds a month?"

Apart from the agreement on the minimum take-home pay reached at a meeting yesterday between Histadrut Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel and Finance Ministry Director-General Arnon Gafni, many employees will be better off in another way.

Last December the C-o-L allowance was increased by IL300 — but only IL200 was paid in cash and the rest given in bonds. Yesterday Meshel and Gafni agreed the entire allowance will be paid in cash as of August 1.

Another point of contention between the Histadrut and the employers is on the increase in the C-o-L allowance. The Histadrut demands that the allowance be increased by IL 13.50 per IL 100 of monthly pay, before taxes, compared with IL 9.50 proposed by the Sussman Committee. The employers proposed the increase in August be IL 2 per IL 100, IL 4 in September, IL 6 in October and IL 7.50 from November onwards.

Shavit told a press conference here yesterday he personally believed the allowance should not be raised at all, but he realized it was impossible to withstand workers' pressures. He claimed that paying the allowance would precipitate unemployment. He explained that if employers increase their wage bill without increasing profits, they will have to dismiss workers.

EEC may open office in Israel

HENRI SIMONET, Vice-President of the European Economic Community, said in Jerusalem yesterday that the nine-nation organization is considering the possibility of opening an office here. Mr. Simonet ended a six-day visit yesterday.

A free trade agreement between Israel and the EEC came into force on July 1. Israel already has a permanent mission, headed by Ambassador Eliashiv Ben-Horin, to the Brussels headquarters of the Common Market.

Simonet spoke of the prospect of the EEC office in Israel when he met Haim Bar-Lev, Minister of Commerce and Industry. The EEC Vice-President also talked about the implementation of the new trade agreement, the first of a series scheduled with Mediterranean countries including Israel's Arab neighbours, when he met Premier Yitzhak Rabin at the Knesset yesterday.

A tight formation of Fouga Magister trainers land together after performing aerobatics at the Air Force Day display yesterday. (24 pins)

Corruption: It's the 'system' that's to blame, say MKs

By MALKA RABINOWITZ
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The system is to blame, speakers charged yesterday in a lively Knesset debate touched off by six motions for the agenda on disclosures of corruption in Government, public and private sectors.

The charges were made only after Justice Minister Haim Zadok opened the debate, a procedure described by Shulamit Aloni (Ya'ad) as a formal last-minute Government exploitation of regulations that amounted to "contempt of the Knesset." Earlier, Deputy Speaker Benzion Keshet explained that the Government was entitled to open the debate where a number of MKs proposed motions on the same issue.

The Justice Minister pointed to a number of measures adopted — and planned — to block openings for corruption:

- A recently passed law defining responsibilities of company directors, too many of whom, said Zadok, both in public and private companies, saw in their positions a lever for status and influence rather than a post of weighty responsibility. It was intolerable, he said, for one person to serve on eight or 10 company boards.
- A bill was being drafted incorporating recommendations of the Shamgar committee setting limits on activities of banks.
- A committee of experts was drafting a law aimed at increasing the independence of accountants in respect to company boards. Zadok warned, however, that control measures should not be allowed to hamstring companies. Observance of the law, he noted, was compatible with effective business operation.
- A draft bill would be introduced requiring ministers and deputy ministers to declare their assets on taking office.

Zadok said every suspicion of corruption was thoroughly investigated and — where it was found to have foundation — prosecuted. At the same time he warned against "trial by media" of any person not yet found guilty by the courts.

Speakers in the debate made the following points:

- Michael Tzur, now serving a 15-year-jail term for fraud, won the heart of the Minister to whom he was responsible, former Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, when he exchanged his National Religious Party card for membership in the Labour Party (Haim Corfu — Likud).
- A person would have to be insane to challenge the present system of retaliation for reporting suspicions of corruption. Furthermore, there was an invitation to corruption in the low salaries paid to Ministry directors-general and to senior government officials in the tax, foreign currency, housing and arms purchasing fields: their signatures on a document could make millionaires in companies or banks which would be eager to hire them after retirement from Government service (Ad Amorai — Labour).
- Corruption flows out of intolerable laws, like the previous income tax rates: out of extreme economic centralization, and out of protracted rule. "Power corrupts." (Shmuel Tamir — Likud).
- Increased cooperation between the State Controller, the police and the Attorney-General would heighten the efficiency of the battle against corruption in Government and public sectors (Micha Harish — Labour).
- A senior official of the military industries electronics firm "Elta," who was found by the State Controller to have hired contractors connected with the firm to build his home in Ashdod, had been given a raise and appointed financial director of the Israel Aircraft Industries mission to the U.S. (Arye Eliav — Ya'ad).
- A special government unit should be set up to implement recommendations of the State Controller and a special Minister appointed to oversee administrative matters (Yehuda Sha'ari — Independent Liberals).

Women's rights bill postponed

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Shulamit Aloni, MK, yesterday agreed to postpone until next week submission of a private members' bill establishing that women have full and equal rights before the law. The bill is in the form of a basic, constitutional law that would cancel any present or future legal provisions violating the principle of equal rights for women.

The postponement came to allow the Labour Party more time to discuss allowing a free vote on the bill. Three MKs are among the nine sponsors of the bill: other sponsors are from Likud, the ILP and Moked.

The law would conflict with the prerogatives of the rabbinical courts. But Labour apparently does not expect the move to lead to a crisis with its National Religious Party coalition partner: this is because it is anticipated that the bill will be buried in committee once it passes its preliminary reading. The draft would be sent to the Law Committee, whose chairman is Zerah Warhaftig of the NRP.

Woman cleared in husband's death

ASHKELON. — A woman whose husband died of a stab wound sustained while the couple was fighting has been cleared of blame for his death.

Magistrate Zvi Nadiv, ruling as coroner in the death of Ivan Weskovianik of Sderot, found that the man had stabbed himself and had died from loss of blood. Although the knife wound was inflicted while the wife was trying to wrest the weapon out her her husband's hand, the coroner ruled that Mrs. Weskovianik's actions had been perfectly reasonable. She had been trying to defend herself, he said.

The deceased, a 38-year-old newcomer from the Soviet Union, had been an alcoholic and the couple had had frequent violent fights.

'Insulting attacks'

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset yesterday passed the first reading of a bill lifting tax exemptions on various allowances to MKs — in line with the tax reform adopted last week — and empowering the House Committee to authorize payments to MKs for expenses incurred as part of their duties.

Replying to the debate, House Committee chairman Ari Ankorion took note of criticism voiced by members on the lack of taste in introducing the bill as the first order of business at a special session summoned last week to pass the tax reform legislation. The intention had been good, he said — to adjust the situation of MKs to the overall tax reform.

Ankorion declared that a number of journalists, knowing that there was no basis to their claims, continued to cast aspersions verging on slander on the Knesset in connection with benefits given to MKs.

Deputy Speaker Benzion Keshet said he shared in the indignation over these charges. He said he would ask the Speaker to call a special meeting with the Deputy Speakers and perhaps the heads of the Knesset faction to seek ways of ending these "insulting and unjustified attacks."

'Keep juvenile suspects apart'

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Shocked by testimony about the murder of a juvenile detainee in a police station in Hadera, the Knesset Public Services Committee called on the Government yesterday to appropriate funds soon for special detention places for young suspects.

The committee's appeal culminated several sittings held to discuss a motion for the agenda by the ILP's Hillel Zeidel on "the critical condition of juvenile detainees." The hearings began in January following news of the incident in Hadera. There, a young suspect closeted in a room with several men was strangled to death when he refused to yield to homosexual advances.

Hadera police explained that the boy was not kept in a separate room because the room set aside for young suspects "did not meet requirements."

Since the murder, says the committee, no steps have yet been taken to improve the detention conditions in police stations. The committee added this is in violation of a 1971 law which requires juvenile detainees to be held apart from adults.

Police representatives told the committee there were no funds available to build new facilities, and this led the committee to appeal to the Government for prompt action.

Jordan River restrictions

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The recent restrictions on young men crossing the Jordan River bridges are vital for security reasons, Defence Minister Shimon Peres told the Knesset Monday.

Replying on a parliamentary question from Member Meir Pa'il (Moked), Mr. Peres said: "For the past eight years the bridges have been open to two-way traffic between Israel and the Arab countries, for persons and goods. However, we are aware this intercourse poses certain dangers. Therefore, we must occasionally take steps to minimize these dangers.

"Accordingly, we have decided that men between the ages of 16 and 25 may continue to cross the bridges into Jordan only on condition that they remain abroad for at least six months, unless they get permission for a shorter stay."

Mr. Peres added that special permits for short stays are being granted to high school graduates wishing to leave the country to apply for admission to universities or to take examinations.

THE HAIFA PUBLIC NOTARY and the secretariat of the District Court have moved their offices to 2 Rehov Shmaryahu Levin, in the old Weiss Hotel building.

Criteria fixed for abortion

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A Knesset Committee discussing various abortion liberalization laws refused yesterday to permit mention of *Halacha* (Jewish religious law) in the wording of the legislation.

The decision to omit reference to Biblical injunction came during discussion of a clause which would sanction abortion if the pregnancy resulted from "a prohibited union." At this point, Likud MK Geula Cohen proposed that the words "according to the laws in the Tora" be added. However, a majority of the Committee — Public Services — rejected her proposal.

The committee also rejected a motion by Mrs. Cohen and two other members to delete rape as the basis of a pregnancy which may be terminated lawfully. Mrs. Cohen said rape was an act frequently difficult to prove, and could occur even between a married couple.

The committee set the following criteria for legalized abortion:

- If continuation of pregnancy endangers the woman's life or health (physical or mental.)
- If the child is liable to suffer from physical or mental malformation.
- If rape or illegal union caused the pregnancy.
- If the woman is below legal marriage age or over 45. (The committee cited medical evidence that children born to women over 45 are more likely to suffer from congenital handicaps.)
- If birth of the child could cause serious problems, such as family or other social pressures, to the woman and the rest of her family.
- If the pregnancy is maintained out of wedlock.

The committee is yet to decide on the character of the "abortion authorizations committees," to be appointed by the Health Minister, which would issue the official and formal permits for abortions. These bodies will probably include doctors and social workers.

The committee has so far turned down a suggestion by Mrs. Cohen that rabbis be added to the committees, and that the doctors and social workers be married people themselves.

Latest Health Ministry statistics indicate an annual abortion rate in Israel of nearly 60,000. This number, a committee member noted, is approximately twice last year's total immigration rate.

Traffic changes in Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The traffic changes on Jaffa Road in Jerusalem will become effective next Tuesday and not Monday, as reported earlier this week by a municipal official.

Under the change private cars will be permitted to drive one-way only — westward — in the one-kilometre stretch between Kikar "Davidka" and Kikar Nordau, buses and taxis will be allowed to travel both ways. Drivers of private cars are advised to use Bezalel Street to reach the centre of the city as an alternative to Jaffa Road. Parking will be forbidden on Bezalel from next Tuesday.

Lotto results

TEL AVIV. — The winning numbers in this week's lotto lottery are: 02, 10, 15, 19, 27, 38.

The additional number is 35.

TOMORROW
ISRAEL WEEKLY LOTTERY 1st PRIZE HALF MILLION
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Immigrants in row with polic

Two new immigrants from Tartar Republic of the USSR were arrested by police in the hane Yehuda market in Jerus earlier this week have compl that they were beaten and ins by policemen during their overn stay in custody.

A police spokesman told Jerusalem Post that the two had molested two girl and policewomen on security duty in market and refused to ide themselves when asked to do According to the immigrants on other hand, the incident was voked by the police officers ing them in asking them to tify themselves, thus giving the feeling that they were

Israel Radio reported that of the two men held a demonstration outside the A tion Ministry, prompting M Shlomo Rosen to complain to ister of Police Shlomo Hillel the alleged mistreatment by police.

Six still held in Netanya blast

NETANYA. — Police are still ing six suspects in connection Monday's bomb in down Netanya.

The explosive charge was at ed to a booby-trapped bicyc German manufacture, it was le yesterday. Police believe the b was primed and brought in fro West Bank.

Thirty persons were round after the blast, which cause damage. All but six were re after preliminary questioning

Bail for 13 after embassy stoned

TEL AVIV. — Thirteen peop cluding a secondary school pri and a lawyer, who were ar while demonstrating in front United States Embassy here on day night, were yesterday re by the Magistrate's Court on bail each.

The embassy was stoned the demonstration.

Watch on pass

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as in Washington and Ca have been carefully reticent details of the proposal for American involvement. One here termed it yesterday the delicate aspect" of the negoti The feeling was that if this could be resolved satisfactor interim settlement would be portant step nearer to attain

The idea of a physical Am presence in the buffer area, ly contributing to the peace process, was floated by Israe months ago. At first it raise faint interest from a U.S. A tration chary of undertakin overseas commitments. But th lem of the surveillance s which has hampered the n tions in recent weeks, has ap ly led to a more energetic cu ation by Washington.

It was not clear yesterday the envisaged American con would comprise military or personnel. Its precise functi relationship with the Isra Egyptian teams are also app part of the ongoing negotia

The Prime Minister is kn feels there has been perceptib gress and that a settlem nearer at hand than it was ago.

The issue of the Israel withdrawal still remains to solved, but it is believed t sufficient "give" in the tw positions to facilitate a comp The topographical haze whi rounds the delineation of the will help, it is believed, a compromise line which Eg claim is outside the Pas Israel can claim is inside

Judge cites 'Who's a Jew' ruling

Jewish woman may not change ID registration to 'Hebrew'

Jerusalem Post Reporter and Itim

TEL AVIV. — In a corrolary to what has become known as the "Who's a Jew" issue, a Jewish woman has been denied permission to change her ethnic classification from "Jewish" to "Hebrew." District Court Judge Yitzhak Shilo ruled that there was no difference between the two terms and upheld the refusal of the Interior Ministry to make the change in the applicant's identity card.

The applicant, Johanna Shelah, wife of poet Yonatan Ratosh (Uriel Shelah), had contended that there was a real distinction, in that one could be a "Hebrew" without subscribing to the Jewish religion. Her husband and her mother-in-law are both registered as "Hebrews."

Judge Shilo cited an earlier High Court ruling that "Hebrew" and "Jewish" were synonymous as far as population registration was concerned. His refusal to change her ethnic classification (*le'om*) in the Population Register and in her own identity card was further based on the fact that Mrs. Shelah declared herself "Jewish" when she immigrated to Israel in 1960 under the Law of Return (which, among other things, grants automatic citizenship to any Jew who immigrates to Israel).

Yonatan Ratosh obtained a High Court order against the Interior Ministry in November 1970, as a result of which the ministry issued him a copy of his identity card in which he was registered as "Hebrew" in the *le'om* rubrick. (He had lost his original ID card — in which he was registered as "Hebrew" — and the ministry refused to enter that word when he applied for a duplicate.)

Ten months earlier the High Court had ruled — in the case of Benny Shalit — that Interior Ministry clerks had to register all citizens in accordance with their own delarations, unless the clerks had *reason to believe the declarations* were false. (The clerks were thus forbidden to enter anything in the Population Register which the citizen in question did not expressly state. As a result, the Interior Ministry was ordered to leave the *le'om* rubrick blank in the registrations of two children whose father had complained that they were registered as "Jewish" over his opposition. The father was Yeshayahu Schick, a teacher from Alonei Yitzhak, whose case came up at the same time as that of Ratosh.)

The "Who's a Jew" issue was the outcome of an application by then-Rav-Seren Binyamin Shalit of the Navy (now a sgan-aluf in the IDF) to have his first two children registered as "Jewish" by *le'om* (but not by religion), although his wife is not Jewish. The Haifa office of the Interior Ministry finally complied, in accordance with the January 1970 High Court ruling in Shalit's favour. But immediately afterwards the law was changed to make sure Shalit's children were the last of non-Jewish mothers to be registered as Jews in this state.

The Law of Return was amended to stipulate that only persons born of a Jewish mother, and who are of no other faith, or those converted to Judaism, may be registered as of Jewish *le'om*.

In December 1971 Shalit attempted to have his third child registered as "Hebrew" — the term "Jewish" having now been expressly barred. The Interior Ministry refused, and the High Court upheld the refusal with the ruling that "Hebrew" and "Jewish" were synonymous.

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Toni Steinitz
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Ruth and family
Irene Dishon and family

Sanctification Day
Tisha B'Av Prayer Vigil
In New Y
In Tel A

The Jews of New York will gather at the Plaza of the Unit tions, symbol of the nations of the world, some of whom wish out Israel's name, and proclaim:
Sanctification Day. We will tell the UN that

- the return of the Jew to Israel cannot be prevented
- the rise of the Jewish state is not a political event but a r miracle decreed by the L-rd, the Jewish G-d of Israel
- that the boundaries of Israel are divinely proclaimed
- that the nations that refuse to know G-d, and to acc miracle of the revival of Israel should take a lesson fr history of peoples that plotted to destroy Israel.

Here in Tel Aviv a group of New York Jews will gather for — afternoon prayers — with tallit and tefillin, to

- show our solidarity with the State of Israel
- to demand that the US cease the pressures on the State of
- that they stop the reassessment and accelerate the shipm arms
- that the United States recognize Jerusalem as the cap Israel

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timed to coincide with the great Tisha B'Av Sanctification Day United Nations Plaza in New York City.
A group of American Jews will gather for Minha — aft prayers — with tallit and tefillin, in front of the US Embassy, Hayarkon, Tel Aviv
Thursday at 5.30 p.m.
We will demand that the US cease the pressure at once on the of Israel, that they continue sending arms at an escalated without conditions.

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Sharon taking new job; 'friends' won't be able to give his views

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Ariel Sharon's "close friends" be expected to cease publish- his views in the press once takes up his appointment as Prime Minister's special "ad- r" next Sunday. Authoritative rces made this clear yesterday owing the publication, in an Kurnoon paper, of Mr. Sharon's ng opposition to the terms the interim settlement with pt.

Mr. Sharon, a reserve general, er Likud politician, and hero he Yom Kippur War, was ap- ted "adviser" to Premier Rabin June 1. As a civil servant he forbidden to express his views public on political matters. But authoritative sources indicated Mr. Rabin would not take on against yesterday's publica- since Mr. Sharon has not yet med his new duties.

Mr. Sharon's "close friends" told Aharonot" that Mr. Sharon ted to Israel's ceding the Sinai es and the Abu Rodeis oilfields believed the envisaged settle- would endanger her security.

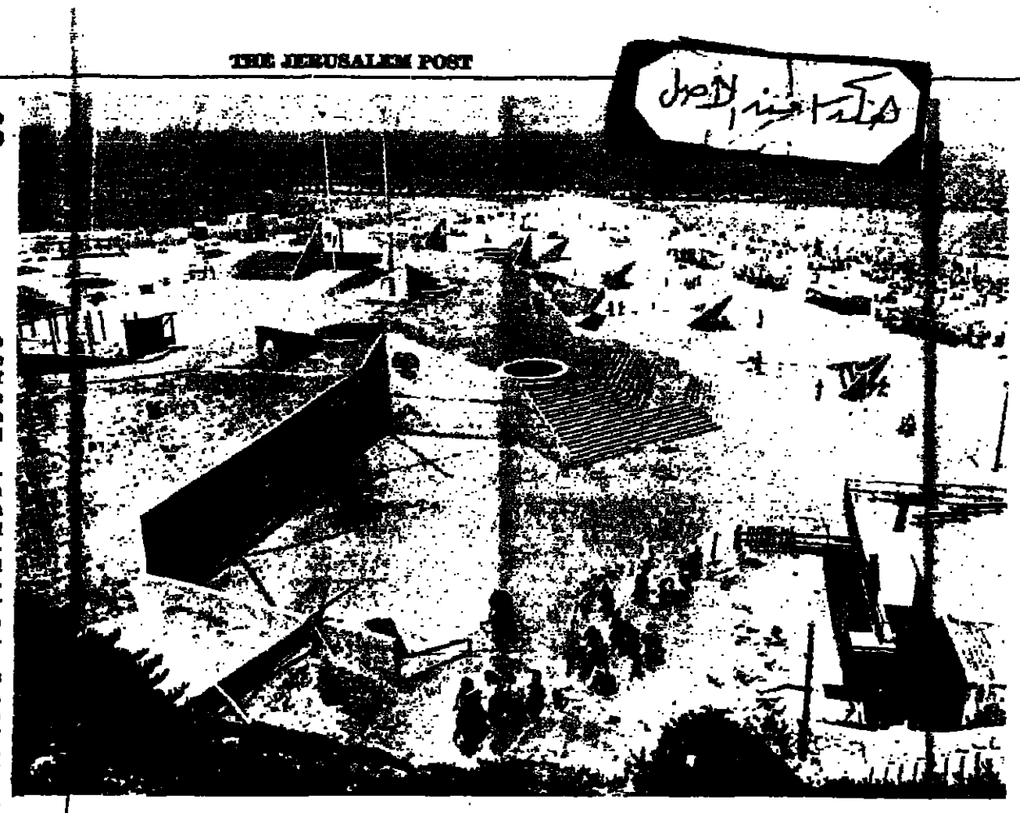
"Yediot Aharonot" wrote that wing rumours that Sharon had ged his mind about the passes, Premier's Adviser had told his friends that ceding the passes the oilfields to Egypt would ely endanger Israel. "I believe must stand firm in our present ce lines. No economic or military aid can compensate for the loss of Israeli credibility or for the loss of the present defence line. If Israel must face a confrontation with the U.S., then it should face it over this issue of the passes and the oilfields..."

The delay in Mr. Sharon's assumption of office was caused in part by Defence Minister Shimon Peres' demand that his functions and responsibilities be more clearly defined. Both the Defence Minister and the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur, have given voice to their fears that Mr. Sharon might come between them and the Prime Minister.

Justice Minister Haim Zadok was asked to prepare a legal ruling on the status of Advisers to the Prime Minister and in it he made it clear that they could not derogate from the authority of individual ministers or from the Cabinet as a whole.

Mr. Zadok laid down that these Advisers must not operate in the ambit of authority of any minister without the consent of that minister.

In an earlier legal opinion on the Sharon appointment, Mr. Zadok ruled that it did not contradict his emergency command in the army. In the event of a war, Mr. Sharon would desist from his work in the Prime Minister's Office and devote himself entirely to his military command, Mr. Zadok pointed out. He would then be governed by military discipline and be subordinate to the Chief of Staff and the General Staff hierarchy.



A ILTM BEACH PAVILION is being completed at Netanya. The pavilion, which houses restaurants, coffee houses and other services, also includes a promenade deck. (24 plus)

West Bankers in Amman for talks

Jerusalem Post Reporter

West Bank mayors have been converging on Amman for talks with Jordanian officials. The agenda of the talks has not been disclosed and the mayors' trips to Jordan were not publicized by their offices. The mayor of Nablus, Haj Ma'azouz al-Masri, and Bethlehem Mayor Elias Freij are among those in Amman at present.

Municipal sources claim that the mayors are seeking closer economic coordination with Jordan. However, observers believe that the talks are linked with Defence Minister Shimon Peres's proposal to establish an Arab civil administration in Judea and Samaria. Peres's scheme is at present the major topic in the West Bank.

The influential Mayor of Hebron, Sheikh Mohammed Ali Ja'abari, said earlier this week that indications were that Peres's proposal would be opposed by the Arabs outside the West Bank and this would probably influence the local population. Ja'abari said he himself would not voice a judgement "until studying the full text of the draft."

Tisha B'Av: 25-hour fast begins tonight

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Tisha B'Av — the cumulative symbol of the catastrophies and suffering which have befallen the Jewish People since the destruction of the First Temple 1,905 years ago — begins tonight.

The fast begins in Jerusalem at 7.40 p.m. (many observe the custom of eating boiled eggs as a mark of mourning at the last meal) and ends at 8.14 p.m. tomorrow.

The fast of nearly 25 hours ends a three-week mourning period whose strictures become more severe in the first week of Av. Observant Jews shun meat and wine, entertainment, weddings, haircuts and new clothes. On the fast day itself, bathing is reduced to rinsing the fingertips and washing the sleep out of one's eyes. Even most Tora study is put aside because it is a "source of joy." Some persons do not even wear the prayer shawl and phylacteries during the morning service because they are considered "ornaments."

A crowd of 100,000 is expected to assemble at the Western Wall — the only remnant of the Second Temple — this evening, where hundreds will sit on mats and read Kinnot dirges and the Book of Lamentations. The event also attracts many young people and tourists who come to meet friends or merely walk around. The Religious Ministry has said it will provide mats for all who want them, and that security measures will be tight.

To avert massive traffic jams in the Old City, the police will keep out private vehicles tonight, except those belonging to residents of the Jewish Quarter. The number 1 bus, however, will wend its way as usual through the Old City.

Places of entertainment and most restaurants will be shut during the fast, as will all banks. Because Tisha B'Av is a day of choice for workers who want to fast at home, some Government offices and businesses may be closed for part of the day or operate with reduced staffs. Special programmes will be broadcast in keeping with the spirit of the day.

Prof. Zev Vilnay will set off with a group of walkers from the forecourt of David's Citadel at 6 p.m. tomorrow for the traditional circumvallation of the walls of Jerusalem. They will stop at the Western Wall, Zion Gate, Ophel digs and Mt. of Olives.

Although Tisha B'Av (especially the first night at the Wall) has become almost festive since the Six Day War, when the Temple site was restored to Jewish rule, rabbis insist that the fast is still meaningful. "The destruction of the Temple was only an outward sign of causeless hatred and corruption from within the Jewish People," says Rabbi Ze'ev Gotthold, head of the department for contact with the Diaspora in the Religious Ministry. "We today must take stock of our situation and see whether the sins that led to the destruction and exile have yet been eliminated from our midst."

New Haifa rabbis deny 'car-residence demand'

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Haifa's new chief rabbis, She'ar auv Cohen and Eliahu Bakoron, yesterday denied re- s that they have demanded al residences and chauffeur- n cars from the municipality local religious council.

Sephardi Rabbi Cohen, who plans ove from Jerusalem to Haifa he is installed in a few weeks, *The Jerusalem Post* that he had ely asked the city what the ing conditions for the chief s are in Haifa, and pointed that the chief rabbis of Tel do have official residences and les at their disposal." He d, however, that if chief rabbis unable to travel around to rm their duties, "they will just to stay at home."

Rabbi Cohen said that he did not the source of the "leaked al- lon," and was "very surprised ll the uproar that it caused." ny event, he was not asking the religious council to buy a house for him, but only to rent a flat. The Haifa municipal spokesman said on Monday that the reported "demands" of the rabbis would cost at least a million pounds.

Rabbi Cohen, head of the Harry Fishel Institute in Jerusalem, said he owned his apartment in the city's Talbieh quarter, but that he had "many debts" connected with it. His car belonged to the institute.

Sephardi Chief Rabbi Bakshi-Doron, who lives with his wife and seven children in a 70-metre flat in Bat Yam, told *The Post* he had never even broached the subject of flats and cars with the municipality or the religious council. He planned to rent a flat in Haifa soon, and would ask for whatever help was considered "acceptable" for a chief rabbi of Haifa.

The previous Ashkenazi rabbi of Haifa, Yehoshua Kandel, and Sephardi rabbi, Yosef Massas, both lived in humble residences and were usually seen walking through the city.

'Combat fatigue' cases still being treated

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — About 30 per cent of the Israeli soldiers who suffered from "combat fatigue" during the Yom Kippur War will continue to need intensive psychiatric treatment for another year, with their complete recovery still in doubt.

This is stated by Dr. T.S. Adler, of the Kupat Holim Mental Health Clinic in Beersheba.

About 100 patients suffering from "battle fatigue" had passed through the clinic, and he recently made a survey of 68 of them who had been classified as "mild, medium and severe" cases. Most of the 38 mild and medium cases had recovered within three to four months, with the patients remaining at home. Ten of the severe cases were on the way to recovery, but the future of the remaining 20 was still in doubt.

Dr. Adler said that the results were similar to those taken after the Six Day War despite the fact that the Yom Kippur War put a much greater strain on the soldiers, who faced much more sophisticated weapons and harsher battle conditions. He believed that the army was better prepared to treat the men in the Yom Kippur War, when immediate help was extended to the soldiers in field stations by psychiatrists or psychologists.

3,000-year-old vessel found

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A 3,000-year-old pottery cult essel dating to the period of e settlement of the Israelite lbes, has been found in a dig Kibbutz Sasa, the Government tiquities Department announced Jerusalem.

The vessel, a rare find, was parently used for libations. rrounding a hollow ring about cms. in diameter were six ob- cts of which four remain — o pomegranates, a chalice and bird. The vessel, called a ker- s, is painted red and black.

It came to light when archaeo- gists undertook a rescue dig to e what lay below building re- ains turned up by kibbutz tractors levelling new farming land. Beneath remains of walls dating to the later Arab and Crusader periods was part of a structure dating to the Early Iron Age with walls preserved in some places to a height of a metre and a half. On a floor of beaten earth and limestone were pottery remains and the cult vessel. Dug into the floor was a plastered and stone-lined storage pit.

Also found were the remains of an infant buried in a jar dating to the Middle Bronze Age, about 600 years earlier. No contemporary building remains were found.

The Antiquities Department plans a further excavation of the site.

Kidnapper gets five years

RSHEBA. — An escaped con- who kidnapped a four-year-old and threatened to kill her if e tried to recapture him was nced to five years in prison by District Court here on Monday. im Mahlouf, 24, of Ashkelon, ed up last December by police found him hiding in a cupboard is sister's house, managed to e when he was brought to quarters by pulling out a knife and threatening his captors. While fleeing the police, Mahlouf grabbed four-year-old Amalia Salman and held her hostage. Police managed to free the child and Mahlouf was caught again and charged with kidnapping, murder threats, assaulting a policeman and escaping from custody.

The District Court ruled yesterday that the five-year sentence would run concurrently with his previous sentence. (Itim)

Crackdown on paper thieves

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Early morning thieves who steal newspapers shortly after they are distributed will be the target of "ambushes" being planned in Ramat Gan by the Association of Daily Newspaper Publishers.

This was disclosed by the secretary-general of the association, Pinhas Leibovitz, after a meeting held to discuss how to stop the thefts.

Moshe Stam, who heads the distribution services of newspapers in Ramat Gan, said the thefts were of two types — "incidental," in which a neighbour or a passing pedestrian took a paper, and "professional," where an entire street might be cleared of all the papers delivered.

The paper stolen most frequently is "Ha'aretz," followed by *The Jerusalem Post*, he said.

It is believed that the stolen papers are sold at lower rates to some kiosks. Most thefts take place on Friday mornings, when newspapers cost more.

Trial opens of strikers at oil pipeline

ASHKELON. — The trial of 55 Marine Department workers at the oil terminal of the Eilat-Ashkelon Pipeline Company began in the Magistrates Court here yesterday. All 55 men denied the charges, and the hearings were adjourned until August 17.

The men are charged with commandeering five company boats during a strike at the oil terminal recently and ramming a police boat, among other things.

Before the session opened a group of shop stewards from plants all over the country demonstrated in front of the courthouse, demanding that the legal proceedings be stopped. Some of the demonstrators circulated leaflets calling on works committees to hold a referendum on the question of a mass protest later this month. The leaflets contained a long list of complaints against the tax reform, the Cost-of-Living allowance policy, the wage freeze, creeping devaluation, Value Added Tax and what they called the "show trial" of the pipeline workers. (Itim)

Canadian hikers here with $125,000 cheque

Jerusalem Post Reporter

After a 25-kilometre sponsored hike through Montreal carrying "passports" stamped with city emblems of Lydda, Tel Aviv, Safad, Haifa and Jerusalem, 120 Canadian Jews have arrived here with the proceeds — a cheque for $125,000.

The hikers, members of a Keren Hayesod-United Israel Appeal family mission, represent the 4,000 Montreal residents who set out on the city's third annual "March to Jerusalem" in May. One of their first stops in Israel will be the new Keren Hayesod youth centre in Mevasseret Zion west of Jerusalem, which will be paid for with the funds they have collected.

Each marcher sought out sponsors — friends, relatives and businessmen — for their hike a few days before the journey up and down the hill on which Montreal is built. Since there was no limit on the number of sponsors or the amount to be contributed for each kilometre that was passed, each step was worth money. One marcher's calloused feet and sore legs brought in $20,000.

At each checkpoint, the "passport" was stamped with a "visa" symbolizing an Israeli city. A fully stamped booklet was returned to the sponsor after the hiker had reached the finish line with a request to pay up.

No placards or banners were carried, and the hikers — from young children to octogenarians — walked in single file on the sidewalks. Security was maintained by civilian-operated radio patrol cars.

The success of the operation, say Keren Hayesod officials, has stimulated interest from Jews around the world about how to set up other "Marches to Jerusalem."

Catholics at H.U. course

Catholic students of Bible from 16 countries are taking a year's course at the Hebrew University in a cooperative programme with the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome.

This is the first time the Hebrew University has had a study programme in cooperation with an institution of higher learning of the Vatican.

The 23 post-graduates have had an intensive Hebrew course and have begun courses in Bible, Biblical Hebrew, archaeology and historical geography. The language of instruction is Hebrew.

The Pontifical Institute and the Hebrew University have decided to continue this programme in the future and expect it to become an integral part of the curriculum of the Biblical Institute in Rome.

Mekorot confirms 'various' loans

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Mekorot spokesman confirmed yesterday that the company had loaned IL30m. to "various Israeli firms" over a two-year period. But he added those loans had been approved by Zeev Kariv — the suspended head of the firm, now on trial for signing a fraudulent balance sheet for Mekorot's subsidiary Wered — and that Kariv's successors had suspended the practice since "Mekorot is not in the loan business."

The spokesman would not say what companies had received low-interest loans from Mekorot (a report in yesterday's *Jerusalem Post* named Koor and Yakhin Hakal).

He added there was a time lag between the receipt of money by Mekorot for a project which had been commissioned and the start of work on the project. During this time, he said, the money was loaned out. He added that Mekorot made money on the transactions.

Rocket-damaged house being repaired

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAHARIYA. — The Amigur Company started repairs here yesterday on the house hit by Katyusha rockets fired from the Lebanon last Sunday. The damage is estimated at tens of thousands of pounds.

The building's tenants have been given alternate housing until they can return home. Meanwhile, the condition of the two sisters hurt in the attack, Devorah and Rosalia Mendelowitz, is improving, and one of them will be released from hospital by the end of the week.

WJC wants B'nai B'rith to affiliate

Jerusalem Post Reporter

B'nai B'rith is still studying a proposal to affiliate with the World Jewish Congress in a special form of relationship provided for international organizations, according to the B'nai B'rith International president, David Blumberg.

He said here yesterday that the World Jewish Congress had invited B'nai B'rith to affiliate with it two years ago. The idea had been under consideration since then, and he had recently appointed a special committee of B'nai B'rith leaders on it.

State agriculture workers strike over car pay

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — All of the Ministry of Agriculture employees who use their cars in the course of their work and receive an allowance will begin a strike today.

The employees claim that since the devaluation last November they are losing money by using their cars for work.

They say that they are being paid 65 agorot a kilometre whereas they should get 90 agorot.

At a press conference here yesterday, the Director-General of the Ministry of Agriculture, Mr. Reuven Eiland, explained the point of view of the workers. He said that experts had agreed that the true cost is 90 agorot a kilometre. Most of the employees of the Ministry used their cars to get to the fields. Some employees had been losing from IL300 to IL500 a month.

Mr. Eiland said that the answer lay with the Ministry of Finance.

Police complete file on Peretz

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ASHDOD. — The special police team, which is investigating last Wednesday's incident when trade union leader Yehoshua Peretz closed down Ashdod Port for five hours, has completed its file on the case. The file will be the basis for a decision by the chief of police of the central district whether to file charges against Peretz.

Yesterday, Peretz was called into the Ashdod police station for questioning. According to police sources he came immediately after being summoned. The police wanted to question him on Monday evening but he was not at home when they called.

A member of the workers committee, headed by Peretz, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the committee is now busy preparing a reconciliation meeting between the workers and the management of the Ports Authority. At this meeting the workers are to raise a long list of grievances, which will include their relations with the Border Police and the problem of lack of work at the port.

Drivers' strike will cut train service

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Engine drivers on the railways will go over to summer time — like other railway employees — from tomorrow, and will work to rule, from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., unless the management introduces the conditions set by an arbitration committee on May 26. The Haifa Labour Council supports the action of the drivers.

Civil service union secretary Ze'ev Feldheim said the dispute had been dragging on for about 18 months, and two parity committees had ruled in favour of the drivers.

If the sanctions are applied, passenger trains will run only until 2 p.m.

JNF field workers want more money

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The staff committee of the 1,200 J.N.F. employees throughout the country are demanding a "field allowance" for 800 of them who work out in the open between the Hermon and Ophira on blasting new roads and other projects "under conditions of heat, cold, dust and security risks."

The increase would correspond to that already approved for one third of the civil service and promised to the other two thirds, the committee says. No increase is being claimed for the JNF office staff.

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'Defiant nurses' will lose pay

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Health Ministry will deduct the pay of those practical nurses who took part in a four-hour meeting during working time yesterday. Only some of the country's approximately 2,000 practical nurses took part in the meeting, the Health Ministry spokesman said.

At the meeting the nurses demanded that the Health Ministry lower the standards for entering their field. They also want easier terms for those practical nurses who want to upgrade themselves and become registered nurses. All the nurses' studies are financed by the Ministry, the spokesman stressed.

The Ministry claims that it has for some time negotiated with the nurses' association about the terms of their qualification. A revised plan is to be submitted to them tomorrow. Since the nurses were informed in time of this plan, the Health Minister considers their work stoppage yesterday as having been unwarranted.

It is believed that the meeting was called largely at the initiative of the Union of Administrative Workers, which apparently is interested in absorbing the nurses. The Ministry only recognizes the nurses' own union as a bargaining partner, the spokesman said.

Foremen sacked at Petrochemical

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The management of the Petrochemical Enterprises here yesterday handed dismissal notices to six foremen — some of whom have been employed since the plant was constructed 13 years ago.

This was the latest move in a labour dispute which broke out two weeks ago. At the beginning of the week production was halted and 110 men sent on leave.

The shop committee has appealed to the Histadrut Secretary-General against an attempt by the local Labour Council to disband the shop committee. Last night the shop committees of four large industrial plants in the North — Haifa Chemicals, Paz, the Electrochemical Industries (Frutarom) and Isasbest — expressed solidarity with the shop committee at the Petrochemical Enterprises. In a joint statement they called on the Haifa Labour Council "to abstain from any action against the committee and to cooperate with it... Otherwise we shall be obliged to bring the council's attitude and actions to the notice of our workers at general meetings to be held at the plants."

The labour dispute broke out two weeks ago when the production workers at the Petrochemical Enterprises demanded fixed premiums based on the average awarded in the past.

(Premiums have dwindled recently as a result of a fall-off in production.) The workers began applying "sanctions" when the management refused — ignoring a warning from the Labour Council and a labour court injunction issued last week.

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Greek Cypriots rally on coup anniversary

NICOSIA. — *Tens of thousands of* Greek Cypriots staged peaceful demonstrations and mass rallies in their main towns *yesterday to mark* the first anniversary of last year's anti-Makarios coup and the Turkish invasion it brought about five days later.

It was a day of mourning and defiance — mourning for the 6,500 dead and missing Greek Cypriots suffered in the fighting and defiance against the continuing occupation of nearly half the island by Turkey.

In a speech from the ruins of his old presidential palace, destroyed during the coup, President Makarios said the day's manifestations were "a condemnation of *the* criminal July 15 coup which brought about our national calamity." They also were, he said, "an expression of the militant spirit and the firm determination of our betrayed people not to bow to Turkish violence, and to continue struggling."

The day's mass rallies and demonstrations were the first in a series of week-long *events to mark the* anniversary.

The UN peacekeeping force and the Greek Cypriot and Turkish troops on the island have all been on maximum alert to prevent any incidents between Makarios supporters and the tiny but still *vociferous anti-Makarios* Eoka-B Greek Cypriot underground group.

A bomb went off in a parking lot at noon, but caused no damage.

Among the 150,000 crowd which listened to Makarios, were banners *accusing the* American CIA of being "the source of the coup and the invasion." At a special session of the Greek Cypriot house of representatives, wich preceded the mass demonstration, Vassos Lyssarides, leader of the Socialist Party, charged that the anti-Makarios coup was a joint plot by the CIA, U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, *the former Greek Colonels'* regime and the Turkish Govenment to place Cyprus under the Nato military umbrella.

Turkish Cypriots planned to stage a three-day celebration of the Turkish invasion starting next Sunday.

In Athens, police yesterday banned a march by an extremist leftwing group to mark the anniversary of the anti-Makarios coup. *Police* said they could not allow a march though the centre of Athens for reasons of security and order.

(AP, UPI)

Richard Nixon, taking a barefoot stroll along the beach near his San *Clemente, Calif. home on Saturday, stops to greet other strollers.*
(AP radiophoto)

'Pravda' hits Arab press

MOSCOW (Reuter). — The Soviet Union yesterday issued a strongly-worded attack on Egyptian newspapers, accusing them of deliberately distorting Kremlin Middle East policy *to foment* anti-Soviet *feelings* among the Arabs.

An article in the Communist Party *organ* "Pravda" charged that *Egyptian* journalists had joined in "the chorus of Imperialist and Zionist propaganda" and were *serving* the aims of certain "internal and external forces."

Although the article *concentrated* its fire on the Cairo press, it was seen as reflecting Kremlin displeasure at the current course *of* Egyptian policy in the Arab-Israeli conflict and at Cairo's swing away from its previous pro-Soviet orientation.

"Pravda" expressed displeasure at Egyptian press commentaries, which it said cast doubt on the value of economic cooperation with the Soviet Union, and about charges that the *Kremlin had signed a massive arms* and bases deal with Libya.

Arabs angered by European censure of Jerusalem blast

BRUSSELS (Reuter). — Ambassadors from Arab nations yesterday complained to Common Market Commission president Francois Xavier Ortoli about a European Parlia*ment resolution condemning* the latest Arab bomb attack in Jerusalem.

The Algerian ambassador, speaking for all Arab ambassadors in Brussels, told reporters after the closed meeting *with Ortoli* that he asked for urgent clarification of the resolution adopted by the Parliament last week.

The Parliament called on the community Council of Ministers and the executive commission to convey its concern and condemnation to planned meetings in Rome next week between the Mart and Arab countries, as part of a Euro-Arab operation dialogue.

Algerian Ambassador Ait Chaal said Arabs were "completely surprised at such categoric and excl*sive condemnation of actions that* consider to be legitimate defence Palestinian resistance on occup Palestinian territory."

The diplomatic initiative here the Arab Ambassadors came on eve of a summit meeting of leaders to discuss a stalled conf ence between Arab and other producing and oil-consuming natio

(The parliament's resolution wa watered-down version of an ear draft by several Socialists, Christ Democrats and Liberals, calling the Community to break off the ro-Arab dialogue until the PLO nounced the use of force.)

S. Vietnam applies to be UN member

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — The provisional Revolutionary Government *of* South Vietnam *applied* yesterday for membership in the United Nations.

A cablegram from President Huynh Tah Phat asked Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim to put the application of the Saigon regime before the Security Council.

Election to UN membership is by a majority vote of the General Assembly upon recommendation from the Security Council. Unless the application is vetoed in the Council, where the U.S. has not made its position clear, the Saigon regime was expected to be elected to membership at the regular assembly session starting September 16.

Allon holds lengthy meeting with Wilson

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Foreign Minister Yigal Allon, on an unofficial visit here, had a private dinner with Prime Minister Harold Wilson Monday at 10 Downing Street, lasting a few hours. Wilson and *Allon* are *close* friends. British officials said Allon brought Wilson up to date on latest developments in the Middle East situation.

Mr. Allon will today be meeting with Labour Party leaders at a luncheon tendered by the *Labour* Friends of Israel. It is to be attended by Edward Short, leader of the House of Commons.

The main purpose of Allon's visit has been to attend a yearly meeting of Israel's ambassadors from 15 European capitals, held in London this year.

The ambassadors' conference was devoted to a number of areas, particularly to updating the 15 envoys on latest political developments; to heightening and coordinating Israel's information campaign following intensified pro-Arab propag throughout the EEC; to counte the renewed Arab offensive to Israel from international bodies tensifying counter-measures ag Arab economic warfare; and was termed "advancing Euro-Is relations on a collective an bilateral basis."

The main addresses were deliv by Mr. Allon; Ambassador Washington Simha Dinitz, stopped over for the meeting on way to the American capital; lon's assistant Director-General Information, Shlomo Argov; sistant Director-General for nomic Affairs Moshe Allon; Avraham Agmon, the new Gov ment adviser on counter-boy measures.

Although the usual news blac was imposed, it was under that the meeting reflected the eign Ministry's intention fo an offensive stand on the honouring clauses in the agreement against boycotts of kind.

Frenchmen freed from Guinean jail on Bastille Day

PARIS (AP). — Eighteen emaciated Frenchmen freed from jail by President Ahmed Sekou Toure of Guinea arrived in Paris yesterday, but refused to speak about their imprisonment to protect four other Frenchmen still held in the West African country.

Sekou Toure released the 18 men *Monday to mark the resumption of* relations between France and her former colony after an 11-year break.

Most of the men were arrested in 1971 following an alleged "invasion attempt" by foreign mercenaries. Sekou Toure charged they were sent by the French government to overthrow him.

The prisoners flew from Conakry, the Guinean capital, to Brussels and French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing sent his personal plane to the Belgian capital to pick them up.

One of the men, 54-year-old businessman Jacques Demarchelier, arrived on a stretcher and was hospitalized. He was one of the few French residents of Guinea who chose Guinean citizenship when Sekou Toure broke all constitutional links with France in 1958.

REAGAN — Formation of a committee to convince former California Gov. Ronald Reagan to challenge President Ford for the 1976 Republican presidential nomination was announced yesterday in Washington by six Republicans headed by U.S. Sen. Paul Laxalt of Nevada.

Filipinos: No separate state for Moslems

MANILA (AP). — Autonomy for Moslems does not mean a separate state, the Philippine government news agency said yesterday.

The agency issued its report after the Beirut newspaper "An Nahar" *said Monday that President* Ferdinand E. Marcos had agreed to grant autonomy to rebel Moslems in the south.

A government spokesman said the Beirut reports may be "speculative" and based on efforts of Marcos' martial law regime to broaden participation of Moslems in the government. He said the regime would *not permit a separate state as* demanded by the rebel Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF).

The MNLF, considered the most vocal and best organized of several rebel groups in Mindanao and other southern islands, has demanded an *autonomous state with its own* armed force under Philippine sovereignty.

Fighting in the south broke out shortly after Marcos imposed martial law in the Philippines in September 1972. The rebels have complained that Moslems are second-class citizens and have demanded political reforms and more Moslem *participation in government* economic assistance to predominantly Moslem areas.

The Philippines, with a population of more than 42 million, is about 85 per cent Roman Catholic.

S. African magistrate sends Protter for mental check

JOHANNESBURG (AP). — David Protter, 26, who seized the Israel Consulate-General in Johannesburg in *April*, was sent for *mental* observation by a magistrate here yesterday.

The magistrate was told that Protter attempted suicide on Monday night — the third time since *his arrest.*

Protter, who was employed as a security guard at the consulate-general, held off scores of police and troops before he surrendered himself and 21 hostages, including three children, after a 17-hour gun battle on April 28.

Protter and his brother Charles, 20, face a charge of murder. Giora Raviv, who was in charge of security at the consulate, was killed during the siege and more than 30 people, *most of them in the streets* outside, were injured by gunfire and ricochets.

David Protter was not in court yesterday. His *lawyer*, F. Zwarenstein, said he tried to commit suicide in his cell on Monday and although his injuries were not serious he was not in a fit state to appear in court.

On two previous occasions since his arrest Protter has tried to kill himself, by hanging himself with a blanket tied to his cell bars and by *slashing* his *wrists* with a *toothpaste* tube.

His brother, Charles, appeared in court yesterday but after the lawyer's application returned to the public seats to join his parents. He is on bail.

The magistrate ordered that David Protter undergo 28 day's mental observation and appear in court again *on August 15.*

Millionaire's wife fined for shoplifting

LONDON (UPI). — A London magistrate yesterday fined the wife of an Arab millionaire the maximum penalty *of £400 for shop-lifting.*

Anissa Abdul-Hassan, 40-year-old wife of a Kuwait finance company director, admitted stealing 96 garments worth £200 from a central London department store.

The prosecutor said two of Mrs. Hassan's eight children helped her fill four large bags with clothing.

A policeman told the court that *Mrs. Hassan's husband was a* millionaire who had brought his family to London while he received medical treatment. Magistrate St. John Harmsworth said he regretted that he could not impose a larger fine.

Senate votes to extend oil price controls

WASHINGTON (AP). — The Senate yesterday passed and sent to the House of Representatives a bill that would extend the government's authority to control the price of oil produced in the U.S.

The bill, approved 62 to 29, is being pushed by opponents of President Ford's energy programme. It would extend the Petroleum Allocation Act, now scheduled to expire August 31, until March 31, 1976.

Ford has threatened to veto the extension unless Congress permits him to implement a proposal to phase out the price controls on domestic oil over the next 2½ years.

Asian women less equal than mo

By DENNIS BLOODWORTH
SINGAPORE (Ofns). —

ASIAN WOMEN are still less equal than their Western sisters. Islam keeps Muslem *women firmly behind* the fretted screen that segregates them in most mosques. In many countries Buddhist women still suffer from the stern strictures allegedly voiced by the Lord Buddha himself when asked how one should act towards the opposite sex. ("Do not see them." "But if we should see them?" "Abstain from speech." "But if they speak to us?" "Keep wide awake!")

In theory women and men are already given the same money for the same work in Singapore, but in practice an unskilled female factory hand earns less than half the wage paid *to an unskilled male. A sector*-by-sector analysis shows that, while in the professional and technical fields women may receive nearly 70 per cent of the average salary of a man, those in administration and management get no more than one-third of it.

A three-year study of the pattern of employment of university graduates in Malaysia recently revealed that one girl in every four who took a degree ended up in the lowest income group, against one boy in 12. But these are fast-changing, up-and-coming societies. In Indonesia half of the women are illiterate, and only one girl *attends* college for every 140 youths, according to the secretary-general of the Indonesian Women's Congress.

Men Hit Back.

The men, moreover, are hitting back. The beleaguered Singapore male *has counter-attacked* on two fronts almost simultaneously in the sex war. A decision of the National Maritime Board to let women serve in ships has raised a storm of protest against the seagirls, who are accused of stealing the jobs of honest mariners, and the Amalgamated Union of Public Employees has attacked the Postal Services Depart*ment for being similarly permissive.*

The Union claims that the main sorting centre has become a madhouse since women were introduced, with gallant overworked staff rushing from point to point to help the ladies load the heavier *parcels, strong men going on sick* leave, officers panicking and losing their tempers, Mrs. and Misses may call themselves Ms. but mail is still male, it seems.

However, these explosions of manly wrath are themselves admissions of successful feminine encroachment on hitherto masculine preserves. *There are not only* seagirls and postwomen, but more policewomen (six out of 47 officers recently promoted to the rank of inspector were female), more women busdrivers and women conductors, and not surprisingly the Singapore Manual and Mercantile Workers Union leads the list of those who concede that the retirement age should be the *same for both sexes — for it is* the first predominantly masculine union to field women officials to argue its claims in the Industrial Arbitration Court.

Women have not gate-crashed the male scene by force so much as by *default of the gatekeepers, however.* The recruitment of men into the police and the post office has been poor, the bus services are taking only women today because they are more polite and commuters prefer them. Singapore shipowners find seagirls less trouble than seamen, just as Hong Kong factory owners find them more reliable and less inclined to job-hop or shirk, and there is a theory that delinquent drivers are more chastened when dressed down by dainty speedcops on the distaff side. Furthermore, the wage gaps are less discre *than they may appear.* Fo thirds of those who joined the force on this island after 197 female, and the newcome naturally less skilled than the workers, most of whom are n

In China, two out of eve workers are women. But eve unisex Mao-suit, women quic out of equality. Only one *member in four is a woman.* are only two women in the 2 Chinese Politburo (one of Madame Mao), and only 11 p of the Central Committee of th ty is *female.*

"In my day", the Chinese mother of a "new woman" Singapore, "the paper money dead husband and the de would be carefully divide separate red bags, so that in at least the women would ha own source of income, inde of their husbands." A fund difference between West a may lie here, with one trad defining heaven as the onl where marriages are mad other as the only place where will finally be liberated.

Women at work at the Tata steel plant in Jamshedpur, Bihar the largest in India.

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Last-minute demand stalls Security talks

EVA (UPI). — The 35-nation pean Security Conference yes- y worked on a new problem of ance which arose suddenly, en- ering its summit finale in Hel- July 30.

ference officials said "there is oubt at all" that the summit now come off as planned. "This sh question is bound to be ed in the next day or two," said. But diplomats privately sed reservations.

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eral agreement was reached eek ago on the possibility of if they so desire giving 21 of notice of any manoeuvres ing more than 25,000 men and g place within 250 kilometres meone else's border.

Turkey wants this limit reduced in its case because of its geographical size and numerous common frontiers with other states.

"As soon as a compromise is reached on this question the final confirmation of the July 30 date can be given," officials said.

On Monday Malta, which had held up the conference for four days, won assent to its insistence on a call for armed forces reductions in the Mediterranean. Delegates said this cleared the way for a finale in Finland which would be the continent's biggest-ever assembly of political leaders.

But according to one well-placed source, Turkey's demand is probably one of the most delicate outstanding issues, since it is the part most directly concerned with the security of the 35 participating states.

Being black kept me alive, Morgan says

MUNICH (UPI). — Col. Ernest Morgan, the black American officer held prisoner by anti-Israel terrorists in Lebanon for two weeks, said yesterday he is convinced his captors would have killed him had he been white.

Morgan told a news conference that his captors warned him three times he might be killed, underlining their broken English by drawing their fingers across their throats in the classic gesture.

"I believe that if I had been a white officer, I would have been killed immediately," Morgan said. "But my captors identified with me because I am black."

Morgan said he flew to Beirut from a conference in Pakistan and so had been unaware of the seriousness of the fighting in the city. The concierge in his hotel advised against going out but in the evening he hired a taxi to take him to the airport to buy some reading material.

"On the way to the airport, we were not stopped in traffic, and there was no roadblock at the point at which we ran into a roadblock on our return," Morgan recalled.

Men manning the roadblock wore military-type clothing but no recognizable insignia, Morgan said. Their weapons included Soviet-made AK47 automatic rifles, rocket propellant grenades and rifle rocket-launcher grenades.

"They stopped our car, and one of them demanded and took my passport," Morgan recalled. "I was covered by two other soldiers who restrained me, and then I was told to get in the back of the taxi, and taken to their headquarters."

Maj. William Cauthen, media relations officer for the U.S. European Command, warned reporters at the beginning of the news conference that Morgan would answer no questions concerning his conversations with his captors nor as to their identity.

His captors released Morgan to the Lebanese Government only after someone began distributing a ransom of food and building materials in the poorer sections of Beirut. The American Government has denied that it paid the ransom.

"In my judgement, I was released because public opinion had swung in my favour, in that a number of organizations, some very respectable organizations, and some organizations they had knowledge of, had asked that they spare my life," Morgan said. "Internal pressure was put on them by the PLO, specifically by Arafat."

Morgan noted that a difficulty in arranging his release arose because none of the various warring groups in Lebanon would admit to having him.

Joan Little, left, and one of her defence attorneys in a North Carolina county courthouse yesterday. (AP radiophoto)

Black girl pleads innocent in killing of Carolina jailer

RALEIGH, North Carolina (AP).— A young black woman accused of killing a white jailer who was allegedly trying to rape her pleaded innocent yesterday as her trial got underway. The woman, Joan Little, 21, is charged with first-degree murder in the 1974 icepick slaying of Clarence Aligood, 62, who worked at the Beaufort County Jail.

She contends Aligood was attempting to rape her, that she stabbed him in self-defence, and that she then ran for her life. Little was in the jail while awaiting an appeal on a breaking-and-entering conviction. She surrendered eight days after the slaying.

A medical report introduced at a pre-trial hearing indicated that Aligood's pants were about his ankles when his body was found in the jail at Washington, North Carolina.

The State contends Little killed Aligood after luring him into her cell while trying to escape.

The defendant's plea cleared the way for jury selection in Wake County Superior Court. Six of the first 12 prospective jurors were excused, four of them by the judge, for health and other personal reasons. The State used two of its nine peremptory challenges to remove two black men from the panel. Jury selection is expected to take about two weeks.

As the courtroom proceedings began, about 400 supporters marched on downtown Raleigh for a demonstration in front of the courthouse. There were no incidents during the march, although several dozen helmeted state officers armed with clubs stood by.

The Little case has been championed by civil rights, women's rights and prison reform groups.

FORCED-STERILIZATION CASE

BARNWELL, South Carolina (AP). — A federal court jury was chosen yesterday for a $1.5m. civil suit brought on behalf of two welfare mothers, one who claims she was sterilized to obtain treatment under the Medicaid programme and another who says she was threatened with the operation. Testimony in the case, brought by the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), is expected to begin today.

The women plaintiffs, identified by their real names in court yesterday for the first time, are Virgil Walker and Shirley Brown. The basis of the suit is the acknowledged policy of the local obstetrician not to accept as patients pregnant welfare recipients who already have three children, unless they agreed to sterilization.

Medicaid is a programme under which the State pays medical bills of poor people.

PAPER — The "Birmingham Post," the leading local newspaper in Britain's second largest city, is to cut back publication from six to five days a week because of heavy losses.

Lisbon troops alerted for airlift to Angola

LISBON. — Portugal has alerted military units for possible airlifting to Angola in the face of rising civil strife in the West African colony, military sources reported yesterday.

The sources said some units in the Lisbon area had been alerted for reinforcing the 24,000 Portuguese troops now in Angola.

The nation's military leaders met in urgent session until the early hours yesterday to discuss the worsening Angola situation, a military spokesman said.

Following a meeting of the ruling, all-military Revolutionary Council, Air Force Maj. Jose Costa Martins told newsmen, "There are prospects of Portuguese military reinforcements" in Angola. He said the reinforcements, if sent, would be used to maintain Portugal's neutral position among the liberation groups until independence scheduled four months from now.

In Luanda, Communist-backed Popular Movement troops consolidated their hold on the city's slums and suburbs yesterday in readiness for an expected counter-attack by 5,000 rival National Front soldiers marching on the Angolan capital.

Portuguese military sources said the Movement's soldiers were clearing out remnants of the pro-Western Front soldiers, who have dug in throughout the disputed areas where six days of mortar bombing, rocket and cannon fire have killed more than 300 and wounded at least 1,500 blacks and whites.

The sources said the National Front force was on their way to Luanda from northern Angola, traditionally a Front stronghold. They said there were no indications yet when it would reach the seaside city.

Thousands of suburban residents abandoned their homes in the battle areas and crowded into downtown Luanda, camping on the lawns of the Governor's palace, in public gardens and seeking shelter at the Portuguese naval base on the edge of Luanda Bay.

Welfare officials said the situation was "catastrophic" with bread shortages, a lack of facilities and water and electricity failures in some areas.

Hospital sources said there was a danger of epidemics breaking out if bodies of those who died in the fighting were not taken away for burial. They said many corpses were lying in slum streets but burial details could not collect them because of the danger of being fired on. They said an added health hazard were the mounds of refuse piling up in the centre of town where garbage collections have not been made since fighting started a week ago.

The centre of town looked like a siege city, newsmen reported. Housewives queued at the few remaining grocery stores still open to hoard supplies in the event of civil war or a siege by the National Front reinforcements.

Army sources said the Front troops might decide to avoid a head-on clash with the Popular Movement but instead cut off supplies and essential services to the capital to starve the rival faction into surrender.

Portugal's Foreign Minister, Major Melo Antunes, arrived in Luanda on Monday to discuss ways of ending the fighting. Government officials said he had meetings with members of the three parties jointly ruling Angola, but gave no details.

(AP, UPI)

Turin chooses a Communist as mayor

TURIN (AP). — The city council in Turin, Italy's rich automobile capital, elected a Communist mayor Monday night, making it the largest city in Western Europe under Communist control.

Diego Novelli, a 44-year-old journalist, won 43 votes from the 80-vote city council and led a Communist-Socialist coalition into city hall to fight rising crime, inefficient public services and a deficit of 150 billion lire (IL1,468m.).

Although the Communists control hundreds of smaller towns — most notably Bologna, their showpiece — Novelli's performance in Italy's "Detroit" was expected to come under close national scrutiny as the party presses for a say in national government after 27 years in opposition.

The Communist success in Turin, itself encircled by Communist-run towns and villages, ended 25 years of Christian-Democrat domination in the city, Italy's fourth largest.

Novelli's closest rival in the election, a Christian-Democrat, polled only 20 votes.

The Communists became the biggest vote-winner in Turin after nationwide regional and municipal elections last June 15, which also saw them rise to the top in Rome, Milan, Naples, Genoa, Florence and Venice.

In Turin, the Communist-Socialist alliance commands 41 seats on the 80-seat city council. The Communists alone hold 31 seats, up from 24 before the elections.

ne 'ultimate' security pact

VA (UPI). — Anonymous n the British delegation yes- circulated a parody of the declaration" emerging from 5-nation European Security rence which is to be signed at ummit in Helsinki.

candidly cynical appraisal of sults of two years of negotia- called the "ultimate pact,"

"In so far as any significance is attached to this document/documents, the participating states hereby wish it to be generally understood that they are not committed to anything."

The wording of some of the original articles, which are in fact vague and open to any interpretation, are parodied thus:

- "All states will refrain from threat or use of force, except when it is necessary.
- "All disputes will be settled by peaceful means with due regard to the comparative powers of the states involved. All those outside military blocs, if any, will be duly disregarded.
- "Internal affairs will not be interfered with except when the possibilities of success seem high.
- "All humans have rights.
- "All states will conduct their relations in a spirit of cooperation and good will, if any."

On the subject of prior notification of military manoeuvres, the parody puts it this way:

"Notification will/may/could/possibly/sometimes be given (if the postal system works)."

And on the subject of economic cooperation, it says:

"Commercial exchanges — generally considered to be a good thing.

"Industrial cooperation — quite often a bad thing.

"Science and technology — not understood by diplomats.

"Environment — useful to live in.

"Other areas — no strong feelings."

No ban on aerosols

INGTON (AP). — The U.S. ner Product Safety Commis- aid Monday it has rejected a n which asked for a ban on arbon propellants in aerosol on the grounds that they n to damage the atmosphere. commission voted 3 to 2 that s insufficient evidence to sup- e Natural Resources Defence charge that continued use on in aerosols could result in to 300,000 additional cases of ncer annually within 25 years U.S., and up to 1.5 million ases worldwide.

missioner Lawrence Kushner e majority wanted to wait the National Academy of s reports next spring on a of studies dealing with fluo- ns and the ozone layer, which against ultraviolet radiation e sun.

ner said he agreed, however, he report last month by a interagency task force which legitimate cause for serious about aerosols and ozone.

Detente in space is no detente

By JOSEPH KRAFT

WASHINGTON. — ower of criticism has poured n this column because of the ion that Alexander Solzhenit- a poor guide in foreign poli- e I admire Mr. Solzhenitsyn, elighted to have the occasion that at least he has thought merican-Soviet relations and exactly where he stands.

occasion for that comment is ojected rendezvous of the and Soyuz spaceships to- . The emptiness of that pectacular demonstrates that Americans, including not a h officials, have not thought y about the meaning of de- starting place for thought ecognition that an easing of with the Soviet Union is an improvement of relations st any old country.

official ideology — the philo- y which the men in power their rule — is a revolution- ology which legitimizes sub- of other political systems ir overthrow. Though much ed in recent years, a police echanism still exists and is curb freedom of belief in and contact with the outside

ermore, the Soviet Union is rial power with agents and controlling, against the will ocal population, several for- ntries. The Russians continue military build-up which sug- hey are going for decisive superiority over the United

Cooperation, in these conditions, does not automatically follow the normal pattern of states getting together to achieve mutual benefits. Even when they talk peace and friendship, Soviet leaders consciously seek a tactical indent for some long-term goal that is not peaceful or friendly. Detente can only mean cooperation within the framework of an adversary relation.

Actions proposed in the name of detente, accordingly, cannot be taken on mere good faith or sentiment. They have to be held up to the light of analysis and examined minutely for costs and benefits and ultimate consequences.

Some actions, some major actions in fact, pass the test. SALT I, limiting defensive strategic weapons, is a case in point. So is SALT II, as projected by President Ford and party leader Leonid Brezhnev at their meeting in Vladivostok, which limits offensive strategic weapons. The agreements work to make the world safer. Moreover, they are part of an ongoing process. They entail future steps toward control and perhaps reduction of armaments.

The space rendezvous flunks the test in the worst way. It is an event empty of content without serious follow-up. It creates the impression of harmony but not the reality. It gives the Russians access to a superior technology. After all, it is the American system which will handle the docking, the manoeuvring to dock and the communications.

Moreover, the cooperation engages only a tiny group of technicians on each side. It is not a process, but an event which the Russians can renew or turn off as they please. It is the technological equivalent of that egregious American folly, the 1972 wheat deal. Worst of all, it attests certain enduring weaknesses to which American officials are prone. Presidents, including Mr. Ford, like spectacular events — especially diplomatic summits. It shows the folks back home that they are running the world. Hence Mr. Ford's keenness to meet with Mr. Brezhnev at the end of this month in Helsinki in the jumbo summit consecrating the present boundaries of Europe.

Americans in power are also likely to have a high pain threshold when it comes to violations of liberty in Russia. The eagerness of American businessmen to forget about principles in the interests of selling Pepsi-Cola or the Chase Bank is only an obscene omen of a widespread disposition.

Finally, American leaders have a phenomenal capacity for concealing reality behind high-faluting abstractions. Secretary Kissinger, for example, constantly uses as a rationale for detente the "building of a web of interrelations."

In fact relations with the Soviet Union do not find their test in the realm of a higher consciousness. They are matters for practical common sense. When this country undertakes actions favourable to the Soviet Union, it ought to get something in return — namely, concrete moves that work to loosen the Soviet system or limit Soviet military might.

GEORGE LEVINREW

Promoting the lowly

North
♠ 10 9 6
♡ 5
◇ K 8 5 3
♣ A Q J 9 3

West
♠ 4 2
♡ A 9 4 3
◇ Q 9 4
♣ 8

East
♠ Q 8 5
♡ K J 10 8 7 6
◇ J 6
♣ K 4

South
♠ A K J 7 3
♡ A 9 4 3
◇ Q 9 4
♣ 8

ntract 4 ♠ by South
pening lead ♣ 2

NUSUAL PROMOTION repeated uppercuts was by Dirk Schroeder of West y in a bulletin of the In- nal Bridge Press Association. ng occurred in a West Ger- bottom tournament.

reliminary count gave a feel- security, losing tricks being to possibly a ♠, possibly a a ◇. A second ◇ loser prevented by discarding on And long hearts could be y taken care of in the by sluffing on clubs and by with trumps. 11 tricks even be made. But all this careful handling, and it e that the defence won the

rer decided to risk the loss irst ♣ by a finesse. So East first trick with the K and a ♡. South won with the ffed a ♡, and discarded a he ♣ Ace. A low ♣ was led st ruffed, but rather than declarer to ruff with a rd he played the ♠ 8. overruffed with the J and ther ♡. West discarded a a trump won in the dummy. ♣ was led, and this time ffed with the Q, and South overruffed with the K. Again there was another ♡ lead with West sluffing a ◇ and a trump being played from the dummy. Another ♣ was also ruffed by East with the 5 and won by declarer with the 7, leaving this end position:

North
◇ K 8 5 3

West
♠ 4 2
◇ A 10

East
♡ K J
◇ J 6

South
♠ A 3
◇ Q 9

So far the defence had won only one trick. But by the repeated uppercuts, East had promoted into a sure trick the ♠ 4 in the West hand! Declarer led a ◇ which West won, and all he now had to do was to exit with a ◇. At all other tables 11 tricks were made, but here the lowly ♠ 4 was high enough to hold the declarer to 10 tricks, and to thus provide the defence with a top board.

THERE IS a new trend in the international bridge world, namely sponsorship by commercial firms. In addition to the Bols competition valuable public service is being given by Philip Morris International Cigarettes, and by Lancia motor cars.

Philip Morris is sponsoring the European Bridge Cup with large cash prizes. This event is a series of ten separate tournaments in different European cities including Tel Aviv.

Lancia sponsored four matches in as many cities in the United States, offering five Lancia cars worth approximately $35,000 to any team that beats the Lancia team featuring Omar Sharif, Giorgio Belladonna, Benito Garozzo and other international stars. The teams to play the Lancia team are winners of four qualifying events in the four cities where the championship matches will be held. The Lancia team lost three of the four matches, and gave 15 Lancia cars to the winners.

In the European bridge championships at Brighton, Denmark and Italy won both their matches on Monday and remained at the end of the table. Israel was in fifth place, after beating the Netherlands 17-3 in the fourth round. The leading scores after four rounds were: Denmark 66, Italy 65, Poland 61, Norway 59, Israel 57 and Sweden 56.

BRIDGE CALENDAR

Coming Events

Brighton, England: European Bridge Championships in progress through July 26.

Jerusalem: July 25, 26 — Hesse Cup for Teams of Four, Swiss movement, at the Diplomat Hotel. Starting time July 25 at 5.00 p.m.

Jerusalem: Sunday, August 3, 3.00 p.m. first session of mixed pair tournament.

Weekly Duplicate Games, 8.00 p.m.

Ashkelon — Monday, Thursday: Museum.

Beersheba — Monday: Building Workers' Club near the Keren Cinema.

Haifa City: Monday, Thursday, Beit Hagefen. Central Carmel: Sunday, Wednesday: Beit Rothschild. Neve Sha'anan: Tuesday: Beit Abba Khoushi.

Herzliya B — Tuesday: Hotel Sharon.

Jerusalem — Wednesday: Diplomat Hotel.

Kiryat Haim — Tuesday: Beit Nagler.

Kiryat Tivon — Sunday: Beit Hahistadrut.

Netanya — Monday: Orly Hotel. Thursday: Wizo Hall.

Savyon — Sunday: Savyon Country Club.

Tel Aviv — Wednesday, Thursday: Dukes Club. Sunday: Adin Club.

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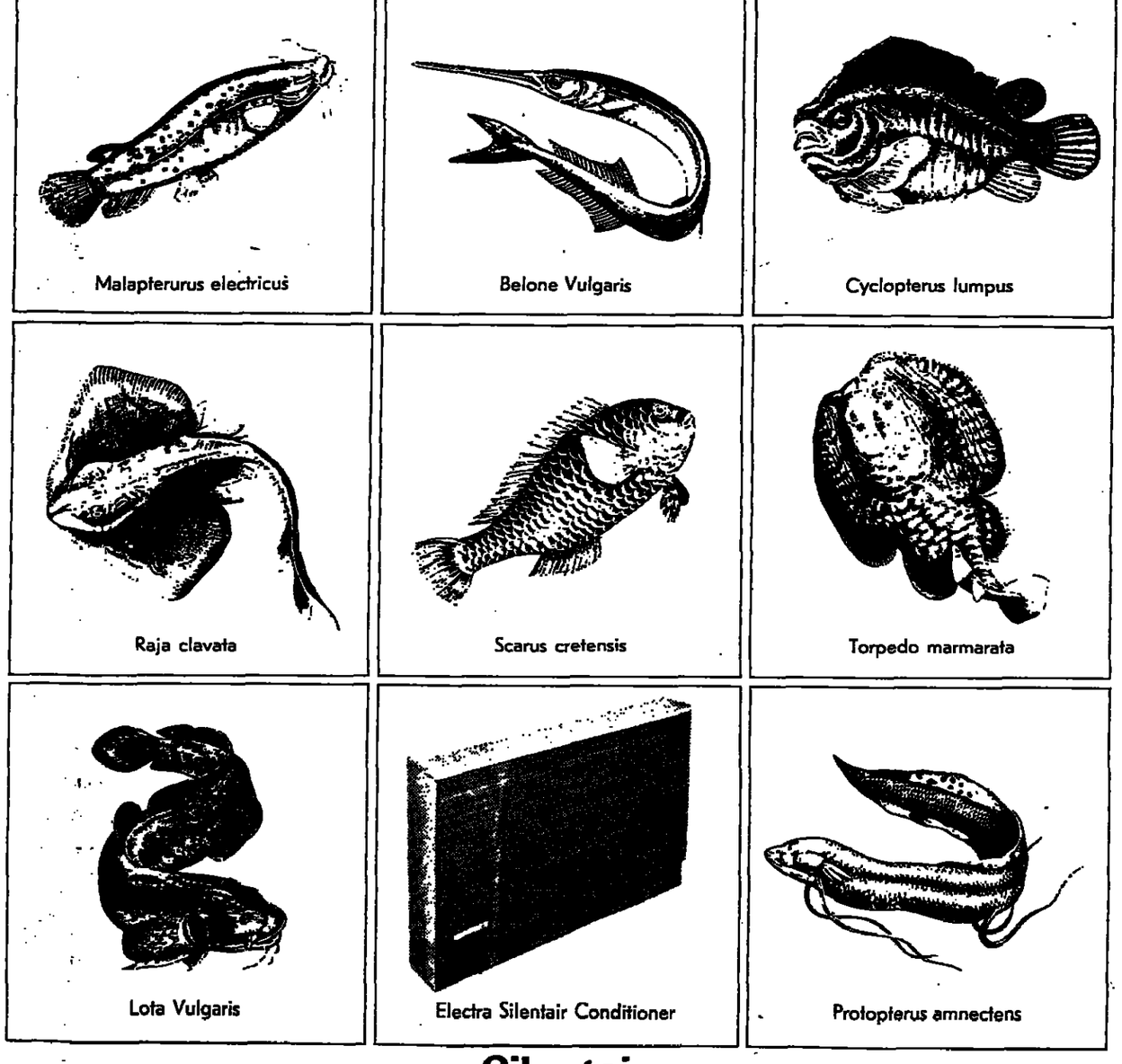

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ISRAEL TOURISM

Veteran tourist expert Salo Sharf believes —

'Time for an all-out effort to correct the shortcomings in our tourism industry'

Jerusalem Post Travel Correspondent

TOURIST CIRCLES both in Israel and abroad agree that there is no indication of a recovery in world tourism even next year, and voice cautious optimism of a possible resurge in traffic in 1977.

In noting this fact, one of Israel's veteran tourist authorities, Salo Scharf, suggests that Israel could profitably employ this lull by making an all-out effort to correct the shortcomings accumulated during the all too few years of prosperity. Scharf, for many years Chairman of the Israel Tourist Agents Association, believes this is the time to reflect on why, after having invested huge amounts in hotel construction, Israel's best performance to date was to attract 727,000 tourists out of an annual world traffic of more than 30 million.

There are factors which Israel cannot influence: its geographic and political isolation, unstable security and a grave case of inflation. But it is in our power, he points out, drastically to reform "the outdated approach which is based on protecting vested interests, on disproportionate distribution of available funds, and an autocratic system of government restrictions and regulations."

In a document published by the Israel Tourist Agents Association as "a personal opinion," Scharf begins by casting doubt on whether Israel can afford a separate ministry to serve the thin flow of 600,000 visitors a year, of which only 60 per cent are in fact tourists. The remainder, he says, come on business or family visits, are temporary residents, etc. A separate ministry can only be justified, in his view, if it is empowered to plan and implement the best possible conditions to attract, accommodate and serve tourists. It should have the authority to overrule any obstacles on the road to this aim which may be put up by other ministries. Alternatively, other ministries should be removed from authority over the essential services required by tourists.

Major emphasis should be placed on planning and research, which should be carried out by local experts as no foreign agency could as thoroughly understand the problems stemming from local conditions. And the best way to achieve change and progress, he suggests, is the creation of a Tourist Board with the authority to investigate existing monopolies and abolish harmful and costly practices ingrained in agencies owned or controlled by the Government or the semi-public sector.

This Board should have advisory status in respect of the Ministry's budget. "I view this as important," he says, "because while you need a licence to qualify as manager of a hotel or travel agency, no professional qualifications are required from department executives who learn as they work, wasting time until they acquire experience. But even those of the Ministry's department heads who have acquired valuable knowledge have little authority or influence in effecting improvements.

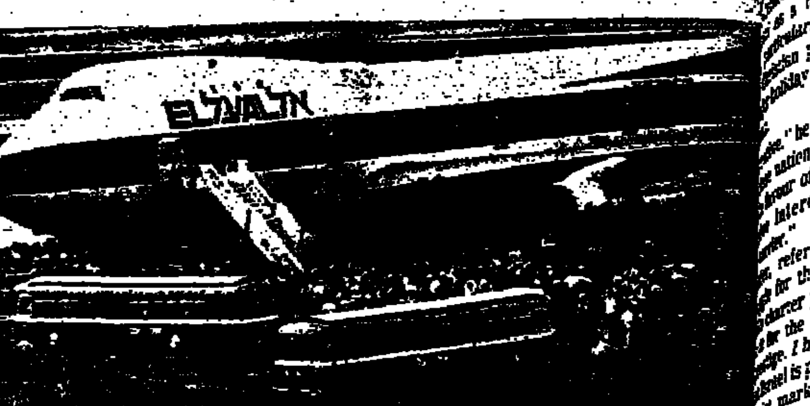
DEALING FIRST with inland transportation, he claims that the main factor in tourist coach services, Egged/Dan Tours, is part of a heavily subsidized national road transport system which will not be able to pay income tax in any foreseeable future. "There is no way to determine whether this branch of Egged is profitable, or the extent of its losses. This monopoly — shared to a small degree with United Tours — is protected by government regulations which make it next to impossible to operate coaches in sizes that are inconvenient to Egged but essential to the tourist industry."

He concedes that privately-owned tourist limousines and mini-buses may be acquired at very generous concessions with regard to customs dues, but these backfire in the event the owner wishes to sell it after three years, when he is made to pay customs retroactively — a sum about twice the vehicle's market value at that time.

Turning to Arkia, the inland airline, he points out that residents of Eilat have for years been paying fares far lower than those collected from other travellers — who have thus been paying a subsidy for the Government's encouragement of residency in Eilat. To keep going, Arkia must charge a tourist almost $80 for a one-day trip to Sinai — approximately as much as an Englishman could pay for a four-day vacation in Spain, including air fare and hotel accommodation with meals.

As for self-drive cars, Scharf believes that with the high price of vehicles (triple the price in European countries), the only reason this branch still exists is the involvement of international networks wishing to operate in every tourist destination. Another factor, to some degree, is that the predictably constant rises in value of the cars will offset part of the depreciation costs.

He points out that the exclusive authority for all these four branches of inland transportation lies with the Transport Ministry, where policy is guided purely by domestic conditions and which has no means of assessing the harm this policy may inflict on the tourist industry.



A sign of happier times — El Al's first Jumbo jet brings a [illegible] load of tourists to Ben-Gurion airport. (Starphot)

TURNING TO EL AL, he echoes the general pride in the national airline and admiration for its reliability and achievements in times of peace and emergency alike. "El Al must be maintained at the price of any financial sacrifice," he concedes. While expressly declining to enter into the dispute over charter flights, he says that one aspect of this controversy is unacceptable: that introduction of charters may result in financial losses to El Al.

"Nobody can expect El Al to remain a profit-making company while serving the public interest, particularly the interests of the tourist industry," he emphasizes. "This fact is already recognized by the special tax exemption granted to air crews (on their foreign currency expenses)." Scharf questions if it is advisable that the national carrier's management remain the only policy-making body with regard to air transport.

He also calls for a regrading of the country's hotels. Noting that allocations from the development budget have been used primarily to build expensive four- and five-star hotels, he points out that even some hostelries originally licensed as three-star establishments were ultimately raised to the two top categories.

Today there is a much increased demand for low and medium priced hotels, but in Israel vested interested have created a situation in which a four-star hotel built 15 years ago, and which today offers less than a new three-star establishment, continues to cling to its original grade.

He proposes that most of the older hotels, which had seen good years, amortized their investment and [illegible] tinue to profit from the high val[illegible] their real estate, could easily [illegible] their rates to accommodate po[illegible] tourism.

He also calls for a more real[illegible] policy of incentive payments, [illegible] ing that such payments to hotel[illegible] the exclusion of other sectors of [illegible] tourist industry cannot effect[illegible] reduce the cost of the tourist's [illegible] day package.

IN CONCLUSION Scharf deals [illegible] the position of the Israeli tou[illegible] agent, who is finding it increas[illegible] difficult to persuade his foreign [illegible] temporary to promote tourist[illegible] Israel. "Fewer and fewer over[illegible] operators today consider there [illegible] profit in promoting Israel a[illegible] destination, and we are faced w[illegible] handful of specialists, who [illegible] special conditions, promoting tr[illegible] to Israel." He cautions that this [illegible] be changed, particularly if Is[illegible] hopes to attract non-Jewish tra[illegible]

Without identifying it, he c[illegible] that one non-Jewish tour agency [illegible] succeeded in taking ten[illegible] thousands of tourists to Is[illegible] because it could charge its cl[illegible] less than the lowest applicable [illegible] fare.

"Our national carrier," he [illegible] "controls a large U.S.-ba[illegible] wholesale travel agency, thus [illegible] peting directly overseas an[illegible] Israel with agents and operato[illegible] is not known whether and, if so, [illegible] much this costs the Israeli [illegible] payer.

Complaining that the recent a[illegible] tion of travel tax exemptions to [illegible] executives going abroad [illegible] promotional activities will resu[illegible] fewer undertaking such trips, Sc[illegible] urges a reassessment of the e[illegible] tiveness of the promotional [illegible] done by such operators compar[illegible] the results achieved by the Tou[illegible] Ministry's offices abroad.

The Directorate of the Ministry of Tourism Congratulates the enterprises nominated as "Outstanding Promoter of Tourism" or "Recognized Promoter of Tourism" in 1974

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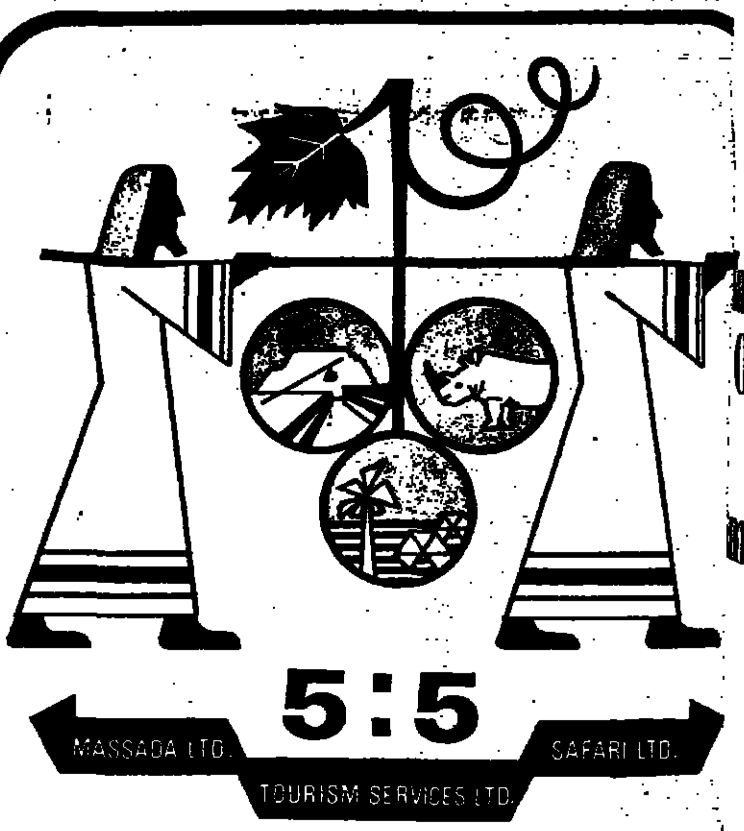

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ISRAEL PRICING ITSELF OUT OF TOURISM MARKET — KOL

Despite a 15 per cent drop in tourism so far this year, there is no question that the industry will recover, Tourism Minister MOSHE KOL told Jerusalem Post Travel Correspondent GEORGE LEONOF. But the introduction of charters is essential.

"OUR ENTIRE tourist policy stands at the crossroads today," Tourism Minister Moshe Kol told *The Jerusalem Post* this week. "The government will very shortly have to decide whether it still wants to develop Israel as a major tourist destination, particularly for world Jewry and Christian pilgrims, but also as a major holiday centre in the Mediterranean.

"The alternative," he stressed, "is to jettison these national and State considerations in favour of the narrow and exclusive interests of the national air carrier."

The Minister, referring to his long struggle for the liberalization of Israel's charter policy, said, "I am not in it for the fight, or for purposes of prestige. I have become convinced that Israel is pricing itself out of the tourist market, and the only practical way to lower air fares is through selective introduction of charters."

Once again he emphasized that Israel's interest in a large flow of visitors transcends the economic importance of mass tourism. "It is no less vital to us from the political point of view and as an encouragement to immigration from the West. We know that the vast majority of visitors leave the country as sincere friends, convinced of our desire for peace and that very few Jews from Western countries will consider immigrating without first coming to look for themselves," he said.

"*The fact is that the overwhelming majority of countries, and certainly all those who desire large tourism, have permitted charters—each with certain limitations, according to its specific interests — in order to supplement the operations of their national airlines,*" he pointed out. "And not a single national carrier collapsed as a result.!"

He referred to the calls for charter flights by Jewish organizations abroad, underlining that this was also the position adopted by the recent Jewish Agency Assembly meeting in Jerusalem.

Mr. Kol said he was seriously worried about the gradual diminution of Israel's trained tourism personnel, which had been built up with considerable effort. "Not only are 13,000 hotel rooms standing empty," he said, "but such valuable personnel as guides are looking for other work. Once established elsewhere, they are unlikely to come back when we need them."

He said that there was no question in his mind that tourism will recover. "When it does, the manner in which tourists are received will be of the greatest importance, for it is an industry whose success is in large measure based on concern for the customer and good service."

In support of his confidence in the ultimate future of tourism, the Minister revealed that although hotel construction has been frozen, the Ministry continues to receive bids from foreign investors interested in building new hostelries. "In fact, there are more prospective investors in hotels than in any other branch of our industry," he said.

"I am not a spokesman for the hotel branch, I have had no lack of controversies with hotels, and I am certain to have more. He recalled however, his encouragement of the growth of the hotel network in the past, and referred to it as "an important part of the large infrastructure that has been built in the industry during my 10 years as Minister for Tourism."

Mr. Kol dismissed with irritation "all this talk about Israel not being a major tourist destination." He said Israel has as much to offer as any other holiday centre offering abundant sunshine, excellent beaches and warm seas. In addition, it has the unequalled attraction of the Land of the Bible — an asset which would be absurd to under-estimate.

The Minister said that, both in Israel and abroad, no one was blind to the fact that the security situation in Israel and the economic slowdown in many Western countries certainly had a negative effect on tourism. "But this cannot detract from the fact that the price element is of major importance to the many thousands who would be undeterred by security considerations, and of even greater significance to those affected by the economic situation," he emphasized.

The Minister said that his own information on the situation in the U.S. has led him to propose a strictly limited relaxation of charters which would include charter flights from Chicago, Los Angeles and Atlanta, in the U.S., in addition to "incentive" and youth groups.

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Crowds flock to free outdoor concerts in Yarkon park

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The 15 outdoor summer concerts already under way this summer at the Yarkon Park are a fitting series of events to mark the fifth anniversary of one of the concerts' chief sponsors — the Tel Aviv Foundation for Literature and Art. In fact, it is more than "fitting," since an important aspect of the Foundation's *raison d'etre* is to introduce the public at large to events of cultural values.

The introduction is painless: the concerts are light, and present a wide variety of music from hassidic to light classical to folksong. While the concerts only began recently thousands of individuals have already taken lawn chairs or blankets to the accoustical shell across from the exhibition grounds and availed themselves of the opportunity. The concerts are free and some 150,000 are expected to attend this year.

The Foundation was set up by former mayor of Tel Aviv, Yehoshua Rabinowitz, who still acts as the chairman of the board of directors. The three bodies making up the organization are the Tel Aviv Municipality, the Ministry of Education and Culture and the Peretz Naftali Foundation, a joint Histadrut and German-Austrian trade union movement fund. The Foundation's capital comes to IL17m. and the interest finances the Foundation's activities. This year's budget comes to IL1.8m.

The director of the Foundation, Matityahu Kalir, explains that the concerts are only one of the many activities the Foundation sponsors. Another main aim is to foster and widen cultural activities in literature and the arts.

In actual practice, fostering literature involves providing writers *with financial assistance, either to* publish their works or to provide them with the money to "buy time" to complete a specific project.

Over the past five years, the Foundation has distributed some IL400,000 to such writers as Moshe Shamir, Benjamin Tammuz, Yitzhak Orpaz, David Avidan and scores of others.

In addition to helping individual authors the Foundation has initiated the publication of volumes of critical essays on such Israelis as Nathan Alterman. The next volume in this *series, to be published shortly, will* examine the writings of Shlonsky.

Music, theatre and the plastic arts are the other beneficiaries of Foundation funds. In the sphere of music, the foundation has commissioned a number of compositions that have been performed by Israel's major musical organizations such as the Israel Philharmonic. In theatre the Foundation has provided the funds to underwrite productions, generally of an experimental nature that would otherwise be uneconomical to produce.

Perhaps the most visible of the Foundation's activities are the sculptures which it has erected in Tel Aviv: the "Sacrifice of Isaac" at the Mann Auditorium, the "Three Discs" in front of the auditorium, two sculptures in Park Hayarkon and one in Independence Park. In each instance the sculptors have donated their work and the Foundation has financed the various side expenses, i.e. transportation, labour etc.

The sculpture, the books and the musical compositions the Foundation has acted as midwife to are substantial enough. But one wonders about the success of its more public activities. Perhaps it is a difficult question to answer, but has there been a growth of cultural values amongst the public at large?

Mr. Kalir thinks that there has been and points to the success of a special project that provides youths and young adults between the ages of 15-30 a book of coupons that not only entitles them to a book or record but to an entrance to plays and concerts. Three years ago, Mr. Kalir says, only 30-40 per cent of the youngsters who received the coupons and tickets used them. Last year more than 70 *per cent made use of them.*

Prior to joining the foundation, Mr. Kalir was the Israeli cultural and information officer on the west coast of the U.S. Before this he was acting town clerk of Tel Aviv and director of the city's information department. He has published several books on the city and lectures on public administration at different institutions in the area.

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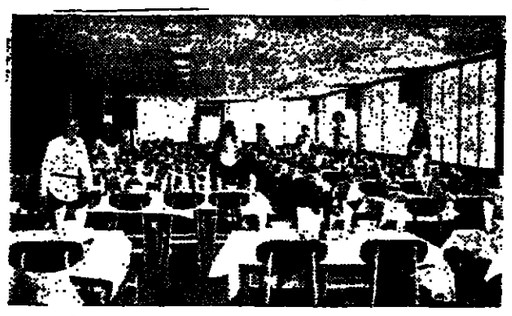

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A ramble in Rosh Pinna

By MOSHE KOHN

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One Wednesday afternoon, wife and I boarded the Rosh nna bus in Safad. We had passthrough the village a number times over the years on the y to and from places in the far th. We had never actually nt any time there, except the t time for a brief stopover for reshments about 10 years . In the meantime, we had gotten Rosh Pinna's dimenns.

The bus rounded a sharp bend ning down the Mt. Canaan d, the driver called out: osh Pinna," and the bus ted before the soldiers' monunt.

"Is this the Central Bus tion?" we asked a girl stang next to us.

She gave us a quizzical look l shrugged.

"Where do you want?" a man asked.

We said: "The main bus tion: the centre of Rosh Pin."

The woman, forbearingly: ell, maybe you'd better get at the next stop, further up road."

The girl spoke up: "But re's nothing special there."

We decided to get off by the nument: at worst, we ught, we would have to walk minutes or so to get to Downn Rosh Pinna.

ROSS THE ROAD from the nument is a grocery store. would have a cold drink, ask grocer how to get "Downn" and meanwhile also chat h a Typical Galilee Villager his own setting. In Safad, ere we were staying, we had ome accustomed to being ined to exchange life-histories views on many things with rly everyone with whom we pened to pause.

The Rosh Pinna grocer nted some one-syllable grunt en we asked something that not have to do with the cold k and pack of cigarettes we ght. We drank up and started king "Downtown." Only an asional vehicle passed, and people were in sight even on grounds of the few houses in immediate area.

t seems we *were* Downtown: er a few dozen steps we come n the community centre (Bet am). The door is locked. out 20 steps further is Town l. The door is open. The etaker is inside. He speaks brew with some difficulty , at his request, we switch to dish. He has been here since 7. Originally from Galicia. A vivor of eight concentration displaced-persons' camps,

The Rosh Pinna synagogue — locked, but still the place where people gather to talk. (Israel Sun)

which he starts listing in reverse order: Bergen-Belsen, Auschwitz, Majdanek, etc, meanwhile rolling up his left sleeve to show us tattoos the Germans had inscribed on his arm attesting some of his various camp citizenships. "But thank God, here I am, I look after the Town Hall and things like that, and I have enough to eat and a roof over my head." He has three children.

"Do they live in Rosh Pinna, too?"

"Oh, no they live abroad."

"Where?"

"Do you think I know? Someplace in *hutz la'aretz* (abroad). They should live and be well wherever they are."

"Is there a synagogue or a museum here?"

"Sure, up the hill a way," he says, pointing to a weedy cobblestoned road climbing off the highway past the grocery store, and asking: "Do you have a car? A pity. If you had a car I would go with you and tell you all about it. But with my back I can't make the climb. But go ahead and see for yourselves. Not that I'm religious or anything like that, but thank God..."

As we leave, a car halts beside the monument across the road and the driver asks: "Where's the Town Hall?"

We don't know anything about "Downtown Rosh Pinna" yet, but we know where Town Hall is, and we cockily tell him.

WE START UP the hill. Not a soul in sight. On the right side of the road, a few cars are parked before lived-in one-family houses; well-tended gardens; children's playthings and tools strewn about in some gardens. On one home a sign, in Hebrew and English: "—— ——, Paintings and Sculptures." Further up, a dog chained inside a garden barks ferociously as we pass. Still further, a huge building that looks as though it may have been the synagogue or school of Rosh Pinna's Orthodox and visionary original settlers a century ago. The building is obviously long abandoned, in a fairly advanced stage of deterioration, and it and the grounds are overgrown with weeds — like most of the buildings we had passed on the left side of the road.

As we were climbing, we had seen a young woman playing with a baby at the top of the road, and a dog browsing near them. Meanwhile, they had disappeared to the left. Now, where they had stood, on the left side of the road, we saw a large decrepit building — a former factory, perhaps — inside a fenced and heavily weeded ground. Atop the broken gate was a sign, in Hebrew, done in varicoloured paints, and with some symbols we had never before seen, stating: "Hamercaz Ha'ivri Lehakkarat Atzmo Shel He'adam" — The Hebrew Centre for Man's Getting Acquainted With Himself.

To the left, a narrow, weedy cobblestoned street running between some tiny cemented-over stone and black-basalt houses. On either side of the street, each on the stoop of her house, sat a young woman, each tending her baby, and chatting — in good Sabra Hebrew. They did not seem at all interested in us. We said: "We were told there's a synagogue here." One of them said: "Yes," and pointed to a long, fairly tall, and apparently well-kept building at the end of the street. We walked toward the synagogue, in front of which a dog stood exercising his teeth on some wood. The building was locked.

We walked back and said to the young woman: "It's locked."

"That's right," she said, "It's locked all year. Except on Yom Kippur. Then they come. But only the Sephardim."

"Who lives here?" we asked.

"People."

"Which people?"

"People who want to live here."

We said "Shalom" and walked on. Just as we arrived back at the broken gate of the Centre, two men were coming down the long staircase at the side of the building. "What is this place?" we asked.

"You see," the older man replied in good Sabra Hebrew, pointing to the sign.

"Yes," we said, "but who are the people at the Centre?"

"People who want to find the way back to acquaintance with themselves."

"How?"

"By studying certain texts, extracting from them what concerns us, and by living together in a certain spirit."

I said: "I'm a limited person, and I'm afraid I'll be able to begin to understand what you're saying only if you could mention some book or teacher whose names I might know: the Bible, Buddhism, Gandhi, Gurdjieff, Subud, etc."

At the mention of the latter two especially, his eyes flickered, and he apparently decided we were worthy and capable of receiving a few clearer hints. He emphasized the Bible, "the great Hebrew creation, which has everything in it, but has to be studied carefully in order to be understood properly," and Gurdjieff, "who offers a neat system for analyzing things, and transforming them into a way of life." And he said with more emphasis: "We do it as Jews. 'Jew' is a more advanced stage, a fulfilment, of 'Hebrew.' But it isn't a racial thing. After all, the Patriarch Abraham wasn't *born* a Hebrew."

There are several similar groups in Israel, he said. How do they support themselves? The people hire themselves out in their areas as day labourers, but some are also planning to set up home crafts. How do people come to the groups? "Those who are seeking find their way to us. We don't go in for missionizing. And sometimes our *bogrim* (graduates) settle in other places and groups form around them." How does one "graduate" from the Centre? "Oh, we don't have formal courses or issue formal certificates. When someone feels ready, he leaves and goes to do whatever he wishes wherever he wishes."

Together we walked down to the bus stop. He went into the grocery store, bought an afternoon paper, and sat down on the stoop to read the latest news.

Debunking Arab-inspired myths of inhumanity and intransigence

By MICHAEL ZIMMERMAN
Special to the Jerusalem Post

"THERE ARE TWO myths about Israel that need to be dispelled," according to Dr. David Hyatt, President of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. He made this statement on the eve of his departure from Israel, after concluding a 15-day NCCJ Leaders Seminar on Christian-Jewish-Moslem relations.

"It is a myth that the so-called Arab 'refugee camps' in Israel are inhumane and intolerable when, in fact, today, quite the opposite is true." After visiting a "camp" on the West Bank, Dr. Hyatt, a Catholic, declared: "The truth is that the so-called 'refugee camps' are not camps at all any more but are actually Arab villages. The woeful fable which anti-Israel propagandists have sold to the American people is no longer a fact."

"For are we not all kinsmen?" was the seminar theme for the eighty delegates, from all parts of the U.S., including Protestants, Catholics, blacks, Mexican-Americans, Jews and an American Indian.

After visiting a forward position on the Golan Heights near Kuneitra, Dr. Hyatt also debunked the myth of Israel's "so-called 'intransigence' in recent peace negotiations. In fact, for Israel to give up certain territories such as the Golan Heights, without a full guarantee of U.S. protection in the event of an attack, would be tantamount to submitting to genocide."

As Dr. Hyatt explains, the NCCJ, which has some 200,000 members across the U.S. was founded in 1928 when there were "6 million idiots — minority hating Ku Klux Klansmen — running around in bed sheets. Today, the NCCJ, with a budget of $8m. a year, does a mammoth job to improve relations among ethnic, racial and religious groups.

DURING THEIR FIRST week in Jerusalem, the group heard a variety of lectures on topical subjects and participated in discussion groups. Hosting the dialogue on Christian-Jewish relations, Dr. G. Douglas Young, President of the American Institute of Holy Land Studies on Mt. Zion, stated: "I am not among those excited about theological dialogue. I think we aren't ready. First we must rectify the 2000-year injustice done by Christiandom. Those with whom we want to dialogue are in the midst of a battle for physical survival. How can we help? We can help our neighbours see that the real moral issue at stake is the renewed Arab nationalism that can't seem to tolerate a small Jewish state."

Professor Shmariyahu Talmon, Professor of Bible at the Hebrew University, pointed out that there is no Jewish theological need for a dialogue with other religions but "Christianity has a deep need to grapple with the umbilical cord which binds it to Judaism."

An exciting address by Rabbi David Hartman, Professor of Philosophy at the Hebrew University, entitled "The Jewish People and Israel," was discussed for the rest of the trip. He discussed the spiritual return of the possibility of meeting others through our own particularism. "I will talk from my reality, but never claim that my particular reality excludes others."

Among the participants in the seminar were the Rev. Dr. Carl Hermann Voss of Jacksonville, Florida, professor in the Humanities at Edward Waters College, a black college. He came to Israel after serving as the NCCJ delegate in Hamburg at the first international conference on the Holocaust ever to be held on German soil. Born in America of German descent, Dr. Voss was the executive secretary of the American-Christian Palestine Committee in the mid-1940's, a Christian organization which strongly advocated Palestine as the homeland of the Jewish people. In Israel for the twelfth time, Dr. Voss commented: "As one who has led many tours, I can attest to the fact that with such a diversity of concepts presented, this was most certainly not a propaganda tour. You wouldn't find this in Arab lands."

HARRISON CORNELIUS, the American Indian on the seminar, is always very calm, listens well and speaks quietly. He is a member of the Oneida Tribe of the Iroquois Confederation.

"Our two peoples are passing in currents of fascinating juxtaposition. The American Indians are of the land and striving towards economic development while retaining contact with the land. The Jews mostly come from commercial and professional backgrounds — well into the modern world — but they too are striving to sink roots and reclaim their traditional heritage in this land."

Mr. Cornelius explained that 200 years ago there were a few million American Indians, but now there are but 852,000. "Indians do not receive birth certificates like other citizens; they get cards designating how many quarters of Indian blood they have. My card says 4/4—I am a full-blooded Indian. It reminds me of the badges and numbers the Jews were once forced to wear.

"What the Jew has done in Israel is exactly what the American Indian is trying to do. I'm learning a lot from your successes." Mr. Cornelius found particular parallels in the historical injustices, existing discrimination and the mystical connection with the land.

"There is a deep similarity between what I have learned of kibbutz life and tribal life on reservations. Like the Jews, the Indians have experienced genocide, starvation, disease, war, ostracism and discrimination. There are things to be learned from Jewish experience in ghettos and leaving them and preserving cultural strength. I hope to return soon with my wife and others."

In evaluating the seminar, national president Dr. David Hyatt felt it was especially important because "many of the Christian community in America have a need to understand the profound meaning of Israel as a land, as a people and as a very essential part of the Jewish faith. Those who have seen Israel will become catalytic forces in encouraging more programming on this subject."

CINEMA

A small masterpiece

The Hireling (Royal, Tel Aviv), the haunting early 1920's story of the relationship between a young English society widow and her chauffeur, was awarded the Grand Prize at the 1973 Cannes Film Festival. It is based on the novel of L.P. Hartley, whose book "The Go-Between" was brought to the screen with great success a few years ago and likewise won top honours at Cannes.

Directed by Alan Bridges from a screenplay by Wolf Mankowitz, "The Hireling" is again a period piece dealing with the old rigid British class system. The beautiful Lady Franklin (Sarah Miles) is recuperating from a nervous breakdown following her husband's death. Desperately in need of companionship to hasten her rehabilitation, she strikes up a strange friendship with her hired chauffeur, Leadbetter (Robert Shaw). Violating convention, the titled lady even sits up front with Leadbetter in his Rolls-Royce, as he drives her around the lush English countryside. But, so vast is the social gap between them, that Lady Franklin never spares a thought for the personal feelings of her always deferential and correct employee. The absorbing plot develops slowly, but builds up to a shattering climax of immense power and pathos.

Sarah Miles and Robert Shaw both give faultless performances in the main roles of this elegant-looking film, and Peter Egan is most convincing as the widow's aristocratic suitor, who appears after she has regained her health. Aided by some particularly striking interior sets (including oil millionaire Paul Getty's historic 16th century manor at Sutton Place), director Bridges has succeeded wonderfully in recreating the mood of post-World War One England. And, without ever intruding, Marc Wilkinson's haunting musical score is an essential part of the whole drama.

In its own way, the film is a small masterpiece. *J.L.*

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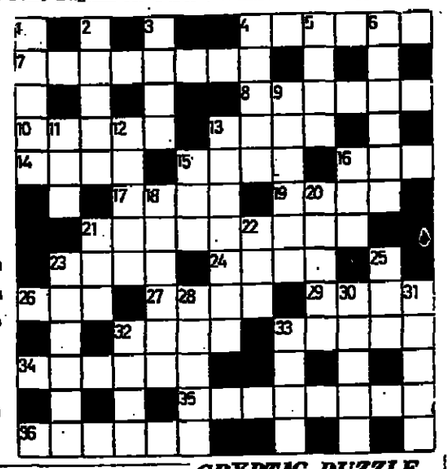
ACROSS

4 Tyrant (6)
7 Egg dish (8)
8 Moment (6)
10 Guile (5)
13 Stopper (4)
14 Mound (4)
15 Saucy (4)
16 Domestic animal (3)
17 Employer (4)
19 Nautical call (4)
21 Charmed (9)
23 Heroic story (4)
24 Betting machine (4)
26 Distant (3)
27 Make beer (4)
29 Expires (4)
32 Dressed (4)
33 Valuable possession (5)
34 Plant dust (6)
35 Aircraft-launching device (8)
36 Tree limb (6)

DOWN

1 Flashlight (5)
2 Award (5)
3 Experiment (4)
4 Hesitate (5)
5 Ditty (4)
6 Expenditure (6)
9 Unbroken (6)
11 Tear (3)
12 Hurled (5)
13 Scolded (7)
15 For each (3)
16 Fish (3)
18 Steady (6)
20 Pays attention (5)
21 Hearing - organ (3)
22 At this time (3)
23 Relish (6)
25 Small (3)
28 Stock farm (5)
30 Publish (5)
31 Condition (5)
32 Family group (4)
33 Unfortunately (4)



Monday's Easy solution

ACROSS.—1, Coster. 7, Ancestor. 8, Risk. 10, Triple. 11, Pagoda. 14, Toy. 16, Tepid. 17, Shed. 19, Harem. 21, Gaped. 22, Named. 23, Arts. 26, Remit. 28, Lie. 29, Hoped. 30, Damson. 31, Exit. 32, Instance. 33, Dagger.

DOWN.—1, Crates. 2, Tripod. 3, Rake. 4, Related. 5, Stoop. 6, Dread. 8, Rite. 9, Sly. 12, Gem. 13, Digit. 15, Lapel. 18, Hovel. 19, Ham. 20, Red. 21, Gateway. 22, Nip. 23, Aiming. 24, Rest. 25, Singer. 26, Relic. 27, Moose. 28, Lax. 30, Deed.

Monday's Cryptic solution

ACROSS.—1, Staple. 7, Mackerel. 8, Liam. 10, Skinny. 11, Spotty. 14, Act. 16, Preys. 17, Dare. 19, Ca-le-b. 21, Wider. 22, Ledge(r). 23, Made. 26, Se-Wed. 28, Pa-R. 29, Twinge. 30, Par-ish. 31, Al-ma. 32, Re-cent-ly. 33, Settle.

DOWN.—1, Sensed. 2, Prince. 3, 'Em-ney. 4, Skipper. 5, B-rut-e. 6, Plays. 8, Liar. 9, Ant. 12, Or-h. 13, Typed. 15, Mad-ge. 18, Arrow. 19, (3d. 20, Lee. 21, W-edging. 22, Lea. 23, Marmot (rev). 24, A-ria. 25, Ex-hale. 26, Story. 27, Witch. 29, Pa-L. 30, Pays.

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

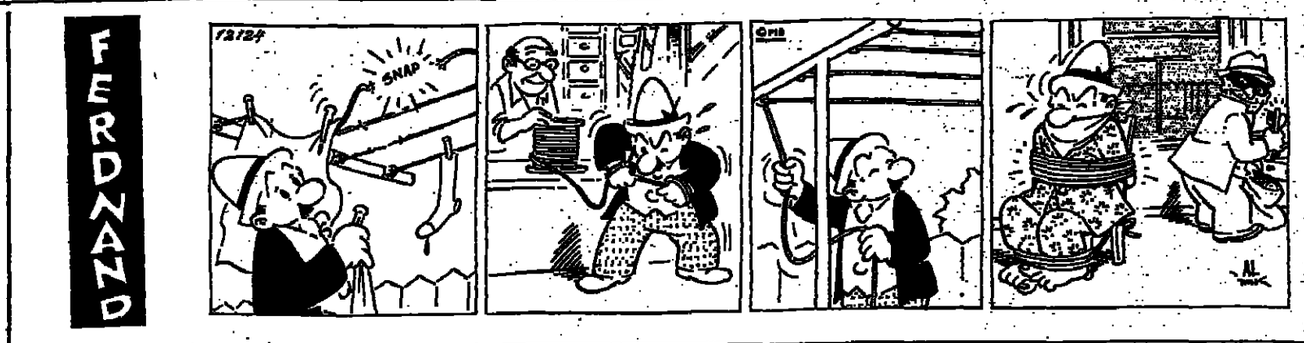
ACROSS

4 Goes round the bistro (6)
7 Historic occasions to sentimentalists? (3, 5)
8 Some decent results in soccer, for instance (6)
10 A step in trade reform (5)
13 Nice place to get out and walk (4)
14 On which to overplay a theme? (4)
15 Fishy contribution to a sparring partner (4)
16 Satisfied to have become acquainted (3)
17 In general, I take the old woman out (4)
19 Lying at the bottom? (4)
21 Blooming red hero! (9)
23 Where a tower's inclined to be famous (4)
24 Where Buddy East takes his holiday? (4)
26 Vehicle often guarded (3)
27 Aircraft noise (4)
29 Credit Jack with the nipper (4)
32 He's in jug (4)
33 Quiet individual polished off! (5)
34 Some grapes on a vine in a gully (6)
35 Movingly as doubtful characters act (8)
36 Like the art of angling with a maggot? (6)

DOWN

1 Shelter for a couple with love in their heart (5)
2 One only *comparatively* lazy? (5)
3 Angry at having no garden? (4)
4 Cora's boy (5)
5 Where the platforms are paved with gold? (4)
6 Black or salt-coloured (6)
9 One of those jobs for the boys (6)
11 Run into an artist a lot (3)
12 Little pest that can ruin a ship (5)
13 Young attendant in a book? (4-3)
15 Character of the blues (3)
16 Some homeless person (3)
18 Lady killer! (6)
20 Coastal tree, we hear (5)
21 It may fix things with safety (3)
22 Truman's drink (3)
23 Home team (6)
25 Supporter of air travel? (3)
28 Nothing disturbs bees like being overweight! (5)
30 He twice gets Ron out (5)
31 Hard woman (5)
32 Colourful suggestion (4)
33 So feet are tender (4)

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES ON FRIDAY



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1st Programme: News: 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 10.00, 11.00 and midnight.
Newsreels: 7.05 p.m.
2nd Programme: 6.05 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight and 1.00 a.m.
Newsreels: 7.05 a.m., 1.05 p.m.
Galei Zahal: News: 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight and 1.00 a.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00 and 5.00 a.m.
Newsreels: 8.05 a.m., 5.05 and 11.45 p.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME
7.58 a.m. Opening 8.10 "Morning Concert" — Blavet: Flute, Concerto (Rampal); Saint-Saens: Piano Concerto No.2 (Rubinstein); Dukas: The Sorcerer's Apprentice (Toscanini). 9.05 Scarlatti: Three Sonatas; Mozart: Clarinet Trio, K. 498; Rossini: Two Songs; Ibert: Symphonic Suite. 10.05 Works by Kirschner, Bach, Haydn, Maayani (Fuxon-Hayman). 11.00 News in easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programmes for children. 11.45 English lesson. 12.05 Book review. 12.10 "Radiodea." 12.35 Miniatures. 1.05 Popular Classics. 1.55 Programme Trailer. 2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radio-story." 3.35 Talmud Lesson. 3.55 A. Allon's Corner. 4.10 "Classical Request programme" — Mozart: Variations on a Theme by Gluck (Hoexter); Bach: Partita No.2 (Sh. Mishori); Beethoven: Variations for Harp (W. Bucherer). 5.10 Magazine "This is Studio One." 6.05 "The World of an Adult." 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.50 Bible Reading: Megilat Eicha. 8.05 Bernstein: "Kaddish" (Jennie Tourel, Hanna Rovina IPO-Bernstein); Stutchevsky: "Kaddish," for Cello & Piano. 9.05 Programme about Tisha Be'av. 10.05 "Yehuda Halevi." 11.10 Legends of the Destruction. 11.15 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 423, 249, 256 and 249 M.
5.58 a.m. Opening. 6.00 Religious Service. 6.10 Gymnastics. 6.10 Musical Clock. 6.50 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.35 Hebrew Songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 Announcements. 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.) 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.45 "A Few Moments With..." 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs.
1.05 p.m. "At Midday." 2.10 Requests. 3.55 Names and Events in the Jewish Scene. 4.10 Pop and entertainment Magazine. 6.05 "Songs from Father's Home." 6.45 Today's Sport. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 9.00 Same as First programme.

FIFTH PROGRAMME
445 M.
6.58 p.m. Opening. 7.00 Same as First Programme.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR
457, 423, 256, 249, 255 and 249.5 M.
7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. Ivrit La'am. 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Russian. 9.30 Close Down.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.00 p.m. (4th programme); 8.30-8.45 p.m. (4th programme); 11.00-11.55 p.m. (short waves).

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE
5.30 "Discover America." 6.20 Jerusalem Songs. 8.00 Programme for Tisha Be'av. 8.30 Mabat. 9.00 Visit to the Shrine of the Book, with Prof. Yigael Yadin. 9.35 Discussion on Tisha Be'av. 10.35 Bernstein: "How doth the city sit solitary" from "Jeremiah" played by the Israel Symph. Orch. 10.40 News.
Educational: 4.00 Story. 4.15 Nature Series. 4.45 English. 5.00 "Sir Francis Drake."
Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 "Young Magazine." 7.05 "Know Israel." 7.35 Programme Review. 7.30 News.

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.05 p.m. (4th programme); 8.30-9.00 p.m. (4th programme); 12.00-1.00 (short waves).
1st Programme — 522, 256, and 221 M.
4th Programme — 407, 445, and 292 M.
3rd Programme (short waves) — 16, 25, 31, 33, 41 and 49 M.

GALEI ZAHAL
234, 250 and 220 M.
5.58 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.05 Morning Tunes. 6.55 Gymnastics. 7.05 Morning News. 7.35 Programme Trailer. 8.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 9.05 "Open Line — 259228." 10.05 "What a Beautiful Day." 12.05 "Music Star." 12.15 Tremplada. 12.40 The Arts Corner. 12.55 "Strange Professions." 1.05 Entertainment Programme. 1.35 Announcements. 2.05 Foreign Hit Parade. Light & Classical Music. 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 6.25 Programme Trailer. 6.30 "Music in Khaki." 7.05 "Love of Zion." 8.05 Jerusalem Songs. 9.05 The Destruction of the Temple. 11.05 "Tour Jerusalem" — with Yosi di Kollek. 11.45 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 After Midnight." 1.50 Story for Tisha Be'av. 2.05 Hebrew Songs. 5.05 Songs and Tunes

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JERUSALEM
4, 7, 9
ARNON: Snow White and the 7 Dwarfs, 5.30, 7.30; **CHEN:** It'll be all right Salomoniko, Part II; **EDEN:** Diamond; **EDISON:** A Girl Named Jron Phee; **HABIRAH:** The Taking of Pelham One Three; **JERUSALEM:** Butch Cassidy; the Sundance Kid, 7, 9; **MITCHE** Smoker, 7, 9, Weds. also at 4; **OHGIL:** Front Page; **ORION:** Lost Comma; **ORNA:** Confessions of a Window Cleaner; **RON:** Jeremy; **SEMADAR:** WE — Mysteries of the Organism, 7, 9.

TEL AVIV
4.30, 7.30, 9.30
ALLENBY: The Front Page, 5, 7.30; **BEN YEHUDA:** The Towering Inferno; **CINEMA ONE:** Bandoleros; **CINEMA TW** Darling, 4.30, 7.30, 9.30, The Funniest Man in the World, 10.30, 12.30, 2.30, 4.30, 7.30, Fri. 12.30, 2.30; **CINEREMA:** Smoker, 9.30; **ESTHER:** It'll be all right Salomoniko Part II; **DEKEL:** Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore, 7.30, 9.30; **HOD:** Diamonds; **CHEN:** Robin Hood, 4, 6, 8; **DRIVE-IN:** Thief of Baghdad, 8, Bright Victory, Mr. Gross Case, 12 midnight; **GAT:** Ape; Super Ape, 4.30, 7.15, 9.30; **GORDON:** Piaff, 4.30, 7.15, 9.30; **LIMOR:** Peepers; Hotel Room; **MAXIM:** Les Bidasses en Vrout en Guerre; **MOGRABI:** Fear Over the City; **PARIS:** Zandy's Bride, 4, 7, 9.30; **PEER:** The Gambler; **OPHIR:** Spiral Staircase; **ORLY:** The Apprentice of Duddy Kravitz, 4.30, 7.15, 9.30; **RAV-AVIV:** Le Grand Bazar, 7.30, 9.30, Tues. Fri., 10, 12; **ROYAL:** The Hireling; **STU** The Tamarind Seed, 4.30, 7.15, **TCHELET:** What's Up Tiger Lily; **TZAFON:** The Four Musketeers; **ZAHAL:** Scenes from a Marriage, 5.30, 8.45.

HAIFA
AMPHITHEATRE: Les Bidasses s'en en Guerre; **ARMON:** Tom Sawyer, 4, Weds. 4, 6; **ATZMON:** Fear Over the **CHEN:** Snow White and the 7 Dwarfs, Sat. 8.45, 9; **MIRON:** The Caressing Fi 2, 7, 9, Tarzan and the Bridge of Death **MORIAH:** Breakout, 6.45, 9, Mats. **ORAH:** It'll be all right, Salomoniko, P **ORDAN:** No-One's Son, 4, 6.45, 9; **ORI** Murders for the Scotland Yard; **G** Chinatown, 6.30, 9.30, Mats. at 4 **PEEL:** Smoker, Weds., 4; **RON:** Diam **SHAVIT:** The Towering Inferno, 6, 9.

RAMAT GAN
ARMON: The Great Gatsby, 7.15, **HADAR:** It'll be all right Salomoniko II, 7.30, 9.30; **LILI:** Oliver, 7.15, 9.30; **** Robin Hood, 4, 6, 8; **ORDEA:** Diamond Funniest Man in the World, 4; **RAM** Man who Loved Cat Dancing, 7.30 **RAMAT GAN:** The Towering Inferno

PETAH TIKVA
SHALOM: Smoker, 4, 7.30, 9.30.

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USINESS & FINANCE

L AVIV STOCKS

Stocks on the rise again

Jerusalem Post Reporter

L AVIV.—After Monday's profit-ing, stocks began to rise again terday.

he general index rose by 1.23 cent to stand at 118.39.

ndex- and dollar-linked bonds, vever, continued to drop. The pos-lity of an impending mini-deva-tion tomorrow has not led, so far, a demand for bonds. Following month's mini-devaluation, bonds e in strong demand. Financial les explained that many bonds are over-priced at present.

The turnover in stocks was IL5,978,000. Turnover in the variables came to IL3,270,000. Turnover in bonds came to IL14m.

The Natad dollar, which had been stable the past two days, rose three points to stand at IL6.90. There was a demand for $222,000 and $253,000 was traded.

The Dev. and Mortg. Bank gained 6 points to 218 (8500), Ata C was up 5.5 points to 130.5 (72,000) and Bank Leumi was up 3 to 214 (373,000).

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ENTURES			
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Dead Sea Junior	r	354	356
Electric Corp. A	r	—	303
Electric Corp. B	r	223	226
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L. INDEX			
ncipal & Interest)			
1965, Index 110.1	b	465	462.5
on 1968, Series 41	b	193.1	193.5
on 1969, Series 41	b	142	142
MMERCIAL BANKS			
NKHOLDING			
PANIES			
Hityashvut	r	265	267
k pref.	r	225	222
Bankholding	r	213	212
Bank "A"	r	256	252
ount Bank "A"	r	540	529
d Mizrahi Bank	b	157.5	155
Hapoalim—10%	b	254	234
Leumi "A"		214	211
RTGAGE BANKS			
Mortgage Bank	b	214	210
el Mortg. & Inv.	b	158	155.5
& Mortg. Bank	b	215	212
ing Mortg. Bank	b	160	151
hot 8%	—	252	249
bot	b	254.5	247
CIALIZED			
ANCIAL			
TITUTIONS			
& Dev. Bank 8%	r	80	75
h	r	505	500
neh Insurance	b	309.5	306
r — "C"	b	284	284
MERCIAL			
VICES &			
ITIES			
r House	b	75	73
C	r	195	192
Storage—IL10	r	184	181
Electric Corp.	r	188	185
erage & Supply	r	155.5	150.5
D. BUILDING			
ELOPMENT			
CITRUS			
a	r	136	133
a Isr. IL10	r	310	302
and Dev.	b	134	119
Solel Boneh—10%	b	166.5	166.5
Property & Building	r	229	217
Isras	b	131	128
Mehadrin	r	216.5	213
I.C.P. Isr. Citrus	r	116	114
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	227.5	227.5
Neot Aviv	r	125	116
Pri Or Ltd.	r	184	180
Rasseo—8%	r	114	114
Rassco—O.	r	74	72
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	505	500
Elco—2.5	b	118	115.5
Electra—5	r	166	157
Argaman—8%	b	295	290
Ata—C	r	130.5	135.5
Dubek	b	450.5	454.5
Elec. Wire & Cable	b	184	182
Teva		1140	1140
Chem. & Phosphates	r	200	195
Lewin Epstein	b	72.5	70
Moller Textile	r	209	199
Phoenicia—8%	b	79	79
Paper Mills	r	297	285
Assis "B"	r	238	233
Nechushtan	b	600	590
Elite (A)	r	260	259
Shemen—8%	b	132	136
"Taal" Plywood	b	112	115
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	103	99.5
Elbera	b	185	182
Israel Central Trade	r	179	180
Bank Hapoalim	b	209	209
Pax	b	134	128
Wolfson—IL10	b	96	92
Ampa	r	117	118
Discount Bank	b	200	194.5
United Mizrahi	b	142.5	140
Bank Leumi	r	177	172.5
Piryon Investment	r	170	175
Hassuta-For. Trade	r	89	87.5
Export Bank	b	69	68
Clal Investment	r	195	196
Clal Industries	r	138	128
FUEL & OIL			
Naphta OTC	r	193	195
Lapidoth OTC	r	283	280

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ALL STREET Closing Tuesday, July 15, 1975

Dow Jones hits new high

W YORK (AP). — Hopes for arly pickup in economic activity ed the stock market record an-r broad gain in heavy trading sterday.

The focus of attention on Wall et continued to be Monday's rt by the Commerce Department record $2.97b. drop in business tories during May. The theory d the enthusiasm over that news was that it meant a significant step toward clearing the pipelines of the economy for a stepping up of production.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials closed 5.95 higher at 881.81, a new closing peak since March 26, 1974, when it finished at 883.68. The Dow's previous closing high this year had been 878.99 on June 30.

Holland trying to aid black Africa — secretly

By DAVID HAWORTH

THE HAGUE. — E DUTCH GOVERNMENT is ding ways of giving undercover to South Africa's separatist as — the so-called black elands or Bantustans — despite and's fiercely expressed official osition to apartheid.

The left-inclined coalition has h in a dilemma in recent months t how to replay to demands for elopment aid from black leaders regions such as Transkei and uzulu. Projects suggested by n include building schools, itals and welfare institutions, as l as establishing light industry. Because it recognises the urgent for such construction, the h Government is anxious to t areas as development coun-in their own right once they e achieved independence, a ess which starts next year with Transkei. But Development Aid ister Jan Pronk, a leading ical, has repeatedly said it would mpossible for Holland to give ct financial aid to these areas. do so would amount to an owledgment of apartheid policy a policy to which the Dutch ernment is firmly opposed."

owever, the Minister has quietly the door open for Holland to give e kind of assistance to the South can areas. The chosen method is hannel covert aid through the ing Dutch development finan-organization, NOVIB, on the s of schemes submitted to it by k South African leaders.

This is intended to avoid political embarrassment for the Government — in particular for Pronk himself. NOVIB has been involved in development schemes in many African countries and elsewhere. It operates on the basis of raising 25 per cent of a project's cost through banks and industry. If a scheme needs the Government's approval the balance is contributed by the Dutch Exchequer. But this consent does not have to be debated in Parliament: the transaction is, therefore, protected from public scrutiny or controversy.

A NOVIB spokesman says the organization will consider financing any project in any developing country — "therefore also the homelands" — that is directed towards the improvement of economically deprived groups.

The scheme has not yet been outrightly rejected by the Minister, but the length of time being taken to reach a decision suggests he is taking the greatest care in weighing up the political implications of granting Government cash.

The official line is still that the Homelands will be an integral part of South Africa, even after they have been granted independence by John Vorster's Pretoria Government.

A NOVIB representative stresses that "normally projects do not take as long as this for approval. But this is being regarded as a very special subject because of the whole relationship between the Netherlands and South Africa."

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Should savers be punished?

By Moshe Ater
Post Economic Editor

ISRAEL'S HOTTEST economic potato today is its huge linked public debt. Its aggregate amount is not known exactly since it also includes guarantees and contingent liabilities but it was estimated at about IL60b. at the end of 1974, i.e. about the same as our GNP, and is still growing rapidly. Everyone agrees that this situation is unhealthy, yet nothing is being done about it. Consultations are known to be going on behind closed doors, but so far the issue is still hanging fire. Even the income tax reform has not come to grips with it.

The reason for the hesitancy is, of course, that opinions on the subject are deeply divided. On the one hand, huge vested interests (holders of linked debentures, both private and corporate) are involved. On the other, it is argued that the linking commitment is untenable in the long run, that the linked debt is a time bomb, threatening the state — and the economy — with bankruptcy.

The mounting inner debt service — due to run to IL5.8b. in the current year — must absorb an ever growing share of the government budget, leaving less and less for other purposes. Attempts to find the funds required for defence, welfare, and productive expenditure must further increase our already excessive tax burden. Moreover, linked debentures inhibit productive investments, because they offer investors a high — and tax-free—yield with which no private venture can compete.

Last, not least, exemption from taxation of the large linking increments cannot be upheld for social reasons at a time when all other incomes, including capital gains, and even the wage-earners' COL allowance, are to be subject to ordinary tax. Whether or not the issue of linked debentures was justified in the past, it is therefore argued, the practice should now be discontinued, outstanding debentures should be taxed (at least in respect of COL increments) from now on in order to reduce their attractiveness and the cost of servicing them.

Clearly, such a proposal is likely to encounter stiff opposition. In the wake of compulsory linked loans, the advantages of linked savings in inflationary conditions have been widely popularized in this country. Any attempt to reduce the debenture terms — particularly if retroactive — would be bitterly resented. However, that should not be a reason for not following that course if it could lead to the desired solution. Unfortunately, closer examination of the arguments reveal them to be less than practical.

FIRST, the composition of the public linked debt must be kept in mind. About one half of it is owned by the National Insurance Institute, and by provident and pension funds, which nobody wants to hurt. Twenty percent derives from compulsory loans, which can also hardly be interfered with. Over a fifth is held by bank saving schemes, insurance companies, and mutual funds, i.e. largely by long-term small savers. Holdings of propertied classes — investors and business companies — account for about one tenth of the total. Since the proposal to tax — or repudiate — the COL linkage is aimed mainly at the latter group, it obviously cannot produce very substantial results.

Second, the widespread notion that the linked debt service represents an intolerable burden is a delusion. A rise in COL which causes the debt service to go up, reflects a decline in the *general* purchasing power of our money, which is tantamount to a rise in our aggregate GNP and in the size of the government budget in monetary terms. In fact, in spite of mounting inflation the share of the internal debt service in the budget total hardly changed between 1973 and 1975. The 10.4 per cent scheduled for the current year is even less than the 13 per cent of 1972, and is not much more than the 9 per cent of 1965. This does not mean that this spending cannot be reduced. The government could, perhaps, somewhat improve its borrowing terms or reduce the attached bank handling charges. But since one half of the amount is anyway pledged for welfare programmes, the resulting savings cannot be dramatic.

Third, the tax exemption of COL increments is less regressive and antisocial than it looks. A comparison of these increments with the taxable capital gain achieved on other assets, and with the COL wage allowance which is also to be taxed henceforth, shows a subtle misconception of the economic functions involved.

An investment in, say, property or industrial equipment or a share in a business is expected — and may indeed — bring a profit (or yield) above the national average (say, the rate of interest), and may therefore provide adequate reward and incentive even after tax.

The COL allowance may or may not offset the full extent of the reduction in the worker's real wage caused by a rise in the prices he has to pay. But this allowance is only part of the wage he gets. He can therefore balance, or even increase, his total earnings by upping his basic wage or the fringe benefits. This has indeed been the course adopted by Israeli labour even in periods when the COL allowance lagged behind the price creep. The trade unions' readiness to stomach the inclusion of the COL allowance in taxable income, perhaps even the reduction of future allowances to only 70 per cent of the index rise, must also be understood as an intention to compensate possible shortfalls by alternative wage hikes.

However, a man investing his savings — or capital — in a debenture cannot get more than the (taxable) interest income, and any increments he gets due to the linking terms at best maintain the money's original purchasing power. A tax imposed on these increments is therefore tantamount to a wealth tax. This may, or may not, be desirable for social or economic reasons, but is quite different from a tax on earnings or profits. If other assets are now to be taxed 10 per cent on their inflationary gains, the scope left for taxing linked increments must be smaller yet.

Fourth, the diversion of private funds from productive (and consumption) projects to linked debentures is not an unwelcome side-effect of the latter's excessive yield, but a deliberate objective of the government's fiscal policy, which is based on financing part of its huge spending not by taxation, but by borrowing. As long as this policy is maintained, and the budgetary deficit fans demand for capital, the government will have to provide its debentures by terms more attractive than those of other securities, and it is irrelevant whether this is achieved by linking to the COL, or sky-high interest rates.

On the other hand, if the government reverts to more balanced budgets, if the price creep slows down, and the Israel economy resumes its normal growth — all of which is, of course, a very big IF — debentures are likely to lose their appeal, because fewer investors will care about the prospect of earning a real 3 to 4 per cent net. As a matter of fact, linked debentures — which in the past enjoyed better terms than today — were quoted at 20 and 30 per cent below par in the late 'sixties. The recent bullish trend in equities on the Tel Aviv stock exchange seems to indicate that many investors indeed envisage a decline in the debentures' attractiveness in the not distant future.

THE BASIC PROBLEM of our public debt is thus not its excessive yield, but its inefficient use. Twenty years ago loans linked to the COL were first introduced here in order to induce firms and families to reduce waste and excessive spending, to encourage saving, and to provide the means required for productive projects, in particular those backed by the government. The commitment involved was then considered sound, because the invested capital was expected to contribute to the growth of our *real* GNP at least as much as to that of our nominal (monetary) income.

As time went by, however, this vital tie between productivity and purchasing power, between costs and prices, became increasingly disregarded. Funds borrowed at linked terms have been increasingly used for current consumption, and for plugging budgetary deficits. Pledges to pensioners, insured people and savers have been based on reserves representing mere paper assets. A large part of our capital resources has thus been not actually invested, but wasted.

Before long we shall have to pay the price of this massive mismanagement. We may be forced ro readjust our monetary assets to their real worth. But that painful process cannot be confined to holders of linked debentures. On the contrary: such an approach would undermine the remaining credibility of our economic administration, and give a fillip to yet more inflationary spending.

Income Tax and Property Tax Notices

A letter to the SELF-EMPLOYED

The text of a letter I am now sending out to self-employed taxpayers is given below:—

Dear Taxpayer,

The Minister of Finance is now presenting to the Knesset a comprehensive bill embodying reform of the direct taxation system. This reform, which was recommended by a committee appointed by the Minister, provides for reduction in rates of tax, broadening of the taxation base, and the institution of simpler collection methods. These welcome changes in the existing system encourage the hope that the introduction of the reform will constitute an important step in fostering a positive attitude on the part of taxpayers towards the tax authorities, and this should show itself in the correct reporting of income and in the tax assessments based on tax returns.

It is an unfortunate fact that some self-employed people who have not previously kept books, have regarded the declaration of income as open to bargaining — at the meeting with the tax authorities to which they expect to be summoned. It is therefore not surprising that the tax returns submitted by such taxpayers cannot be accepted, and that assessments have to be made for them on a "best possible estimate" basis. The reform should serve to break this vicious circle.

The tax authorities are very willing to adopt the recommendations of the tax-reform committee, and are prepared for tax payers to submit their own tax assessments on their income; this also applies to tax returns submitted up to and including fiscal year 1974.

The way is now open for those who so wish to correct returns already submitted to the tax authorities.

Accordingly, if a taxpayer corrects one or more tax returns for these years and makes a declaration of his full income, corresponding to the increase in his income in the years for which a correction is necessary, over the figure given in his tax return, the assessing officer will accept his corrected declarations, and make assessments accordingly.

It must be emphasized that this arrangement cannot be offered to a taxpayer who is the subject of investigation or legal proceedings instituted by the tax authorities.

The contents of this letter in no way affect the powers of assessing officers or the Income Tax Commission, as stated in the relevant Order.

I leave it to the conscience of every taxpayer to decide whether this appeal is appropriate to his case.

If you consider that tax returns you have submitted (whether or not you have received assessments based on them) required correction, please make the necessary correction by August 15, 1975 — the correction should be submitted on the attached form.

If you consider that your declarations of income do not require correction, please regard this appeal as though it had not been made to you.

If you are represented for tax purposes by a lawyer, auditor or tax advisor, I recommend that you consult him before coming to a decision on this matter.

Yours faithfully,
(—) Yitshak Man
Commissioner of Income Tax and Property Tax

June 1975

Anyone wishing to take advantage of this opportunity before he receives the letter should ask the Assessing Officer who deals with his returns to provide him with a copy of the appropriate form.

MUSIC

Pedestrian opening to Israel Festival

THE 15th ISRAEL FESTIVAL opened with a dissonance (Jerusalem, Binyanei Haooma, July 12). The programme was scheduled to include "The Twelve Tribes of Israel" by Israeli composer Erich Walter Sternberg, who died last year at the age of 83. Without any proper announcement from the stage and with the explanation of the full work, comprising 12 variations, in the programme notes, the only part of the work presented was the final variation. If this was the arbitrary decision of conductor Lukas Foss one cannot but condemn it in the strongest terms. However the responsibility is first and foremost that of the Festival management.

This unhappy opening cast a shadow over the entire concert. But musically there was no reason to rejoice, either. Neither of the other works—Liszt's piano concerto No. 2 and Mahler's "Das Lied von der Erde" — are scarcely suitable for a gala opening night. Liszt's empty acrobatics and sentimental tunes could surely have been kept for another occasion. And Mahler's shattering pessimism is hardly fitting for a festive concert.

The picture would have been less depressing had the performances been good. Natasha Tadson, the 18 year old pianist, demonstrated amazing virtuosity, but her lyricism is uninspired. To make matters worse, her performance was almost drowned by the noisy and inconsiderate accompaniment. Miss Tadson struggled hard to survive but her physical strength failed her and a certain weakness of sound in the instrument further aggravated things. More or less the same happened in the Mahler. Balance between the various sections of the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra was markedly bad. Alfreda Hodgson's beautiful contralto was continuously drowned and tenor John Mitchinson had to strain his voice even more than usual. Here and there a few passages did some justice to Mahler's great music, but in general it was an ill conceived and regrettably inadequate performance. All in all, unfortunately, it was a poor and pedestrian opening to the Festival.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

A fitting tribute

TO MARK the *Shloshim* of Francois Schapira's untimely death, his friends, colleagues and admirers gathered at the Tel Aviv Museum recently to listen to some of our most distinguished musicians perform in his memory (July 1). Many participating were those who had appeared at the Museum since the small Mally Kaufman hall and later the magnificent Recanati Auditorium were inaugurated, for under the direction of Francois Schapira, the Museum's musical programme flourished as never before.

Valery Maisky at the organ; The Yuval Trio; Mindru Katz, piano; Dora Schwartzberg, violin; Boris Berman, harpsichord; the Israel Piano Trio and the Tel Aviv Quartet played music by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Brahms and Bartok, composers for whom Schapira had a special liking and whose music so often resounded in the halls. There could have been no more fitting a tribute to the man who, though no performing artist himself, sponsored so many performing artists.

Francois Schapira was born in Paris in 1928 and he studied Musicology at the University of Bucharest, specializing in musical aesthetics. He immigrated to Israel in 1960 and in 1961 was appointed director of musical activities sponsored by the Bat-Sheva de Rothschild Fund and administrative manager of the Bat-Sheva company. He was also one of the founders of the Chamber Ensemble. In 1968 he joined the staff of the Tel Aviv Museum and became Director of Musical Activities. He succeeded in making the Museum one of the most important music centres of the country.

While the success of young and new immigrant artists was especially close to his heart, he also understood that besides the traditional concert/recital, new frameworks of performance had to be introduced. Thus, series like "New Dimensions," "Israel plus 1," "Music Spectrum" and the Composers' Workshop all found in him an enthusiastic supporter. Francois was only at the Museum for 7 years, but it is almost impossible to imagine the Museum without him. We will miss him very much.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

'Halleluja' the highlight

THE HAIFA PRO MUSICA Orchestra's final concert of the season (Auditorium, July 2), under the group's conductor, Dalia Atlas, was partly devoted to Italian Baroque music. The orchestral works by Albinoni, Geminiani and Scarlatti were enhanced by soprano Bibiana Goldenthal. Her voice is of equal quality through all its registers and was able to answer the varied needs of the songs. But the highlight of her performance that evening was Mozart's "Halleluja" from "Exultate Jubilate."

The small string orchestra responded with good will to their conductor's direction, even when she played an "Adagio" from Bruckner originally written for Quintet. The undertaking shows Miss Atlas' bold spirit which dares to try innovations.

She is devoted to the progress and development of this group leading it to success even when a new strings-leader has to take over at last minute's notice. Violist Yehuda Ben-Ari embarked bravely on this new adventure with great technical competence, enthusiastically supporting his conductor's intentions. She, too, allowed him full opportunity to develop his own ideas both in the solo and orchestral parts.

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OPEN LETTER

We the undersigned express our opposition to all acts of terrorism, and our shock at the terrorist act in Jerusalem which struck down innocent victims, Jews and Arabs.

We call for an end to bloodshed everywhere; we support those who work for a just peace agreement between the two peoples.

We condemn all violent acts against Arabs, undertaken as a reaction to terrorist acts, and wish to emphasize that such reactions strengthen the hand of extremist elements among both peoples.

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OUR UNDERPAID JUDGES

DESPITE rumblings here and there, a general consensus appears to have emerged that wage rises should be shelved to see how the new tax reforms affect pay packets. But there is one group for whom this reasoning should be considered irrelevant, namely the nation's judges.

Like others, the judges too have over the past few years suffered the indignity of obtaining parts of their real salaries in the form of special increments designed to outflank the income tax laws. But in addition they have seen the bench, always considered a place of honour and distinction, become a position in which the material return no longer matches its status or responsibility.

There are dangers here that the country can ill afford. For when judges do not know whether their salaries can take them to the end of the month, not only is their position demeaned, but the very existence of an independent and distinguished judiciary is put into question. Good lawyers, who otherwise might be attracted to the bench, are deterred from leaving more lucrative private practice. Good judges think of escape. What should be the pinnacle of the legal profession, its highest symbol, is in danger of losing its eminence and the society's judicial branch, upon whose strength and integrity social order rests, is in danger of decay.

Certainly at a time when confidence in other institutions has waned, when the public is buffeted by examples of wrongdoing in places high and low, the standard and dignity of the judiciary should at all costs be safeguarded.

The nation's judges, out of respect for their office, have not pressed their case in the manner of other groups. Nor can they, like ministers, look to fat expense accounts, or like many Knesset members, to supplementary forms of income. Their situation is one of splendid isolation that has become anything but splendid.

Today the Knesset Finance Committee is due to make a decision on raising the judges' salaries. A subcommittee, headed by the Likud's Yohanan Bader and apparently prompted by the Treasury, has recommended a rise of about ten per cent, which would mean from IL470-IL600 net, excluding increases accruing from the tax reform and the cost-of-living allowance. Many members of the full committee, and the judges themselves, are known to feel that this is inadequate.

One of the constraints upon the subcommittee is the fact that judges' salaries are linked to the pay levels of lawyers in government employ. The Treasury fears the chain reaction effect of a higher increase. But then it should seek ways of severing these links.

For the overriding public interest lies in preserving the integrity and excellence of the judiciary. Their salaries, like their position, should be measured by no other criterion.

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Madame Mao attacks the moderates

By DENNIS BLOODWORTH

SINGAPORE (Ofns).— A DOCUMENT "acquired" by the Chinese Nationalists in Taiwan (a Janus-faced source of good intelligence as well as bad propaganda) contains the text of a disconcerting speech on foreign policy allegedly delivered by Madame Mao in the name of her husband. The militant left-wing wife of the Chairman not only berates "intoxicated" Chinese envoys abroad who devote their time to fostering formal diplomatic relations and "doing business," but implies that Peking's profane liaison with the United States is a betrayal of China's sacred Communist mission, and calls instead for active support for the Third World and the cause of revolution everywhere.

"Our foreign policy must concentrate on black friends, small friends, poor friends... we may have no white friends, great friends, rich friends, but we are not isolated," she declares in the speech, which is said to have been published as a special Notification to the Party. Communists must "work for the disintegration of the enemy from within, uphold armed struggle, lead mass movements... we who are engaged in diplomatic work must propagate the doctrine of revolution to the whole world."

If the document is genuine it reveals the militant wife of the Chairman, hitherto absorbed in the task of remoulding Chinese culture, in a new, international role in which she speaks her lines with authority as his personal mouthpiece. The gloomier analysts point out that the text has been "acquired" — or leaked — at a time when the American bulwark in South-east Asia has crumbled like wet sand, and the Vietnamese (who look to Moscow rather than Peking) appear to be making their first moves towards imposing their hegemony on all Indo-China.

Some fear, therefore, that we are about to see the smile wiped off the face of Chinese diplomacy, as the soft "bourgeois" line of Premier Chou En-lai is discredited and gives way to the hard revolutionary line of the Maos. For those who go by heavenly portents, the omens look inauspicious for the moderate men in Peking, whose urge to cure economic and political shortcomings in China with development rather than dry dogma, and with slow psychotherapy rahter than a socialist straitjacket, lays them open to charges of being bourgeois and "revisionist."

THE ADMONITIONS of Madame Mao are linked to the current left-wing campaign inside China to study Lenin, to attack "capitalist tendencies" to "dig up the soil that gives rise to the bourgeoisie" and to establish and strengthen the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Individual peasant households have for years been accused of skimping their shifts in the communal rice fields in order to raise their own pigs and poultry on the side for private profit. Ironically, however, the Chinese Communist system breeds not only personal but collective "capitalism." Half of all the agricultural assets and earnings in the countryside are not in the hands of the State or the commune or the individual, but of local production brigades, and the cadres managing many of these smaller and tighter village units also have a sharp eye for a promising deal.

According to the Peking "People's Daily," they have been known to set up lucrative workshops making goods in short supply which have nothing to do with farming or the State plan, to grow high-priced vegetables instead of much-needed rice, to buy fertilisers cheap from the State and sell it dear elsewhere — and then share out the proceeds among the members of the brigade.

In industry, similarly, "bourgeois practice" means giving workers bonuses and paying them overtime, equating the work done with the wage earned, and manufacturing costlier commodities which fetch a better return. All this is "speculation" and "profiteering" in a socialist society in which the worker should be labouring for the State without thought of reward, and the cadre should be seeing that he does so, the radicals protest.

However, the moderates riposte by stigmatising as destructive "ultra-leftism" the revolutionary itch to strip the peasants and workers of their private pickings "in one morning" and sink them into a selfless society that sacrifices everything to the State. The people must be carefully conditioned to give up their bourgeois perquisites, not bludgeoned into common ownership, they warn.

THE BACK-SEAT AGITATION of some radicals for China to take the corners to Communism dangerously fast is also denounced by the pragmatists in Peking as an assault on the essential stability and unity of the Party and the State. Extremists who shrilly demand the sudden abolition of "bourgeois rights" and attack all who uphold them are therefore themselves damned for their "bourgeois factionalism." China must be united, the masses must be given incentives to work hard, all must be peace and production at t factory and the farm.

THERE ARE SEVERA reasons for keeping revo tion within tolerable limits. F one, China has not been isolat from the economic ills afflicti the rest of the world, and h contracted a daunting tra deficit.

For another, the mechani tion of agriculture must "basically achieved" by 19 and the value of all industr output doubled, according current plans. And a thi reason must have been obvio to anyone who saw the televisi shots of the recent visit to Chi of President Ferdinand Marc of the Philippines. For if the ag ing Chou En-lai looked fragi the rigid octagenarian M Tse-tung appeared to have be turned into wood in mid-wo and his mouth locked half-op for eternity.

This is no time for splitti party and country, therefo and while there may ideological war-dances, the can be no ideological wa Responsible men to the Left a Right agree to differ, and in co sequence the radical theori may be free to theorise, but i still the moderate therapists w prescribe the exercises economic, political a diplomatic.

'One cosmic flight is not enough to achieve real friendship'

ALEXANDER DRUCK is a Soviet Jewish engineer whose application to leave for Israel was turned down in 1973.

On the occasion of the Apollo-Soyuz space mission, he has sent the following message to both the American and the Soviet members of the joint mission:

To the American Astronauts Stafford, Slayton, and Brand:
To the Soviet Cosmonauts, Leonov and Kubasov:

ON THE EVE of your historic flight I wish you success as one of the millions of your friends, as one of the thousands connected one way or the other with your flight, and as one of those Soviet Jews who wish to live together with their people in Israel.

Absurd reason

I am an engineer who has worked with resolvers which are widely known and are used in many spheres of technology. In March, 1973, my family and I (consisting of four members) asked for permission to leave for Israel but were refused in virtue of the fact that resolvers are used in cosmic techniques. This was absurd then and even more so now when dozens of American scientists are acquainted in detail with the Soviet cosmic techniques, have seen the cosmodrome and launching grounds.

I have never been on the cosmodrome and have never seen a Soviet rocket. I have not worked in my profession for three years, but have been told that the question of my leaving will be decided only in 1980.

I think that one cosmic flight is not enough to achieve real friendship between peoples. I ask you to use your influence for the triumph of justice and humanity.

I wish you all a successful flight and a safe landing.

Sincerely,
ALEXANDER DRUCK

Swahili to become the official language of all Africa

By COLIN LEGUM

SWAHILI is to become the lingua franca of Africa. This was decided on unanimously at the inaugural meeting in Accra of the Union of Writers of the African peoples.

The fact that the decision to recognize Swahili was taken by a conference consisting largely of West African writers (who do not themselves speak Swahili) is an event of considerable significance. At present, three languages are used as the common means of expression for Pan-African occasions — English, French and Arabic.

The African writers were urged to do everything possible, at both national and continental levels, to promote the use and the enrichment of Swahili. It is now the official language of only two countries — Kenya and Tanzania. Schools in Africa are horted to accelerate the pro of studying Swahili by stituting it for less useful jects on their curricula, suc courses in European ba French civilization and Eng social history.

No final decision was take the preparatory meeting a the ground rules membership of the new wri union. There was, however, siderable support for the that no white South Afr writers who derive an inc through membership segregated organizations sh be eligible for member There was also opposition t membership of Arab write Africa who are members o exclusive Arab Writers Uni

READERS' LETTERS

Encouraging sign

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Four hours ago, a refrigerator filled with deadly material exploded near my office in the centre of Jerusalem. Many innocent people were killed or wounded.

Walking down the street half an hour later, I noticed a small crowd haranguing a husky youngster aged about 16 with his back to the wall. Nearby stood a tearful Arab urchin some years younger, who had been selling newspapers. What happened? "He hit me," quavered the little newsvendor — "and told me to clear off."

There was no doubt as to where the sympathies of the crowd lay. One man put his arm round the Arab boy and comforting him in Hebrew — which they both spoke — led him 50 yards down the street where he could continue selling his papers. After standing by for a few minutes till he gained confidence, the man gave the boy a coin, and whispered a few words of encouragment; then he left.

So while the ambulances were still taking away the dead and wounded, a crowd of Jews were protecting an Arab boy from one of their own teenagers in circumstances where justice might well have been blinded by angry emotion.

The incident closed with a grateful smile, a pat on the head — and a feeling in the air that there might still be hope for humanity.

MEIR ABELSON
Jerusalem, July 4.

Illusory hope

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — How quickly people forget when they become fearful! A while ago, we knew that it was self-defeating to withdraw in the face of an uncompromising enemy. Now we are on the verge of accepting another of these illusory hopes that the fearful cling to: take a chance, they say. England, France and Poland took a chance when they betrayed Czechoslovakia before World War II. South Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos were persuaded into taking a chance recently.

It is still not too late to reject this sellout. Let the pressure be on the United States. Let them betray their conscience if they must. If they must abandon us for short-term economic and political profit, let them, for they will only afflict us again tomorrow if we yield today.

MICHAEL SIERADZKI
Netanya, July 4.

No, Mr. Ford!

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With reference to the American ultimatum, I think this is the time for the people of Israel to voice their solidarity with the Israel Government and say: "No, Mr. Ford, we cannot agree to what would be virtual suicide."

We should make it quite clear that we are sorry to annoy our friends, but we would be even sorrier if we were to give up the Mitla and Giddi passes without a clear assurance from Egypt that they will recognise the State of Israel and put an end to belligerency.

MRS. SONIA OREN
Beersheba, June 29.

U.S. Jews long for a purpose in life

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In the main, Israel misreads the motivations for aliya from the U.S. There is, here, a mine of young Jewish families, disillusioned with the pursuit of material possessions, longing for a purpose and goal to their lives. Some of them are planning aliya within the next few years, but not as a result of the enticements offered by the Ministry of Absorption, but rather in spite of them. I, for one, am tired of hearing about mortgages, apartments, appliances and general benefits for immigrants. All the material inducements in the world will not guarantee successful absorption. Who cares about my coppertone kitchen appliances? I am looking forward to trading them, and most of my "things," for a life dedicated to a purpose, namely the future of the Jewish people in Israel.

Israelis may find it difficult to understand such a cavalier attitude towards possessions. (Actually, my parents, who are of the "depression generation" do also.) We, after all, are the children who have never wanted; who have always had a surfeit of consumer products to choose from. But it is also we who know that the accumulation of "things," the major life pursuit of most middle-class Americans, is a self-deceptive goal, which leads nowhere.

In these cynical days it is unfashionable to talk about ideals, goals or morality, but there is a spiritual hunger among many young (and not so young) American Jews today. I do not suggest that people speaking about aliya keep the hard facts of Israeli life from potential immigrants. But let's not neglect the idealism and dreams that are the essential elements of a successful and satisfying aliya.

HELEN R. SAMUELS
Chapel Hill, N.C., July 2

Ozone — too much or too little?

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In your recent issues, you devoted a large amount of space to articles concerning the fluorocarbons-ozone controversy. What amazes me is that all the research mentioned is devoted exclusively to experiments on destruction of ozone and not also to its formation from oxygen under the influence of ultraviolet radiation. Any depletion of the ozone layer causing greater penetration of the ultraviolet light into the atmosphere will increase the rate of ozone formation. Therefore, the ozone layer is so-to-say "self-healing."

Moreover, since the thickness of the ozone layer varies with seasons and latitudes up to 50 per cent, the current estimate of a possible 13-20 per cent depletion by the year 2000 is well within the limits of natural fluctuations, which the human race successfully survived during the last few millennia.

Ironically, not so long ago the "eco-nuts" were concerned with the opposite phenomenon: too much ozone is being generated by the electric power stations, which is bad for rubber tires, the lungs, and increases the thickness of the ozone layer in the stratosphere!

I guess "you cannot win" as long as the ecological hysteria remains fashionable. But I think that the ozone problem should be the smallest of all the worries of your readers.

DR. JACOB ROSIN
Netanya, July 10.

The price of appeasement

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Amos Kenan, in the "New York Times" issue of May 15, seems to think that Sadat is ready to give legitimacy to a Jewish state, given Israeli territorial concessions. "... Yet the Israeli Government maintains an inflexible stand in not being willing to give up conquered territories."

Hitler addressed France on October 14, 1933, and declared: "... After the Saar Territory" — a rich German mining area held by France — "had been returned to the Reich, only a madman would be able to think of the possibility of war between the two countries for which, from our point of view, there would be no longer any moral or rational reason."

By this time, Mr. Kenan should know that appeasement by France and England only led to the horror of World War II.

HERMAN AXELBANK
New York, July 3.

Vain sacrifice

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — If the American administration were friendly, almost any sacrifice made in order to keep this friendship would make sense. However, an administration that, in a state of war, requests us to leave a position vital to our defence is clearly not friendly and does not care greatly about our survival. Such an administration will not support us against further Arab demands and our sacrifice will have been made in vain.

ARRIGO FINZI
Haifa, July 2.

'TV shows the unpleasant side of life'

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I would like to add my voice to those of "Women for a Secure Israel" against the tendency of our TV programmes to show the unpleasant side of life in Israel almost exclusively.

I would go further and say that, in most cases, they are arrogant and cynical and very often show bad taste. An example of their downright meanness is the way they covered the Israel Independence Day celebrations in Boston. Instead of showing some kind of gratitude and appreciation to the warm-hearted Jews who turned out *en masse* to identify with Israel, they focussed the cameras on the eating and the chewing, on the comic and the ridiculous. This can be done in any crowd and cameras can be turned for or against any event. What was the point?

Many institutions who are trying hard to do a good job in social welfare, education., etc. know that they cannot get coverage from our television for any of their positive events: "Not interesting."

MIRIAM LEVIN
Jerusalem, June 23.

Ghoulish exploitation

To the Editor of The Jerusalem

Sir, — It seems that a bit discretion is called for by the Broadcasting Authority. Why necessary to vividly display th ment of wounded individuals a nationwide television? Our pa agonies need not be so display the price of violating the priv our wounded. Would the report Zion Square massacre o "Hashavua" T.V. programm day evening have been incom without the film of the wound hospital emergency rooms?

We protest against this m ghoulish exploitation of huma fering and demand that the casting Authority demonstra responsibility to the viewing by rejecting this sensationalist proach.

AVIVA AND LARRY W
Jerusalem, July 6.

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